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Is Ottawa's Carlton County jail haunted by the tormented spirit of a man put to death 130 years ago?

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They're covering up something.

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Then, when Norman Muscarello reported his UFO encounter to the local police, the Air Force wasn't very happy.

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After her accident, Patsy Cannon was a new woman.

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Unfortunately, she had no memory of her old life.

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It's like I had the hardware, but the software suddenly, the disc was erased.

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Later, how could a man's psychic vision over 50 years ago save a woman's life today?

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They kept counting, you know, years to let her go now.

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And Sightings goes to Japan, where they believe UFOs have been appearing for over 2,000 years.

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Welcome to Sightings. I'm Tim White.

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It's a feeling we've all shared.

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You walk into a dark basement or an old house, an unfamiliar part of the forest,

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and you think, this place gives me their creeps.

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Well, ghost investigators have a more sophisticated term for the creeps.

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They call it place memory, the belief that certain locations of great anguish and torment

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retain energy from the past.

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It comes back to haunt us in the present.

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A pristine blanket of snow covered Ottawa, Canada on our visit there.

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But not even 30 degree below, weather could bring this city to a halt

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because it is the capital of Canada, where life and death decisions are made every day.

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Ottawa International Hostel from New York, please.

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And on this day, visitors from around the world are checking into the Ottawa International Hostel,

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unaware that it too has played a unique role in the life and death decisions of the city's past.

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Prior to 1972, this was the Carlton County Jail,

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an infamous house of corrections and cruel and unusual punishment.

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Peter Mackey is the supervisor of operations for the hostel.

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The accommodation we offer is within the original cells, with the original bars, the original brickwork.

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It's a unique environment. In fact, we do get some people come here purely to say,

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I've spent time in jail. It's something to write home about.

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As far as I know, there's no other hostel like it anywhere in the world.

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In fact, the hostel has many letters on file, written by guests who experienced visions of tortured inmates

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and heard painful ghostly screams.

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According to Steve Criss, a criminology student and the hostel's unofficial historian,

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the Carlton County Jail was a terribly inhumane institution.

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This institution was particularly brutal. The cells were small.

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They were only three by nine cells, freezing in the winter and too hot in the summer.

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There wasn't any running water. There wasn't any electricity.

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So if you were a prisoner housed in one of the cells in the wintertime,

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there's a really good chance that you froze to death or got frostbite.

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Two years in this institution could mean your life.

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Steve is working on a comprehensive history of the jail,

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but his efforts have been hampered by a government that would rather forget this scar on its corrections history.

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So Steve emailed sightings in search of a different kind of historical perspective,

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the psychic perspective of Peter James.

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Peter had been told only that he was going to Ottawa.

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He was given no information about the location that he would be searching

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and had been voluntarily confined to his hotel room until this visit.

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He was here to unearth the past in hopes of explaining the present haunting.

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This is like a prison. It is a prison. What's a prison?

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Peter asked Steve to take him on a tour of the hostel.

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They walked all nine floors together, but Steve did not reveal what he already knew of the jail's violent history.

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This is preliminary, but I feel like there were some hangings here.

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A lot of hanging going on here. Does that ring a bell?

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Okay, thank you.

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Because of the history.

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Peter was drawn to the eighth floor, stopping here, not knowing yet that this was once the jail's death row.

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Now is this the floor that would be a focal point?

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Yes, in order to this question, does the name Patrick mean anything?

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Yes, it does.

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Patrick with a W, like a wet well, wheel, well, wheel.

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And it's right in this area is where I feel.

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Records indicate that the jail's death row was the last home for an Irish immigrant named Patrick James Whalen.

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In 1868, Whalen was accused in the political assassination plot against Thomas Darcy McGee, a popular figure in the Canadian parliament.

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His death shocked the public, and their outcry for swift justice led to Whalen's conviction on a weak prosecution case.

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Patrick James Whalen's death was the last public hanging in Canada's history.

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Peter felt compelled to go outside, to a spot directly below the gallows where Patrick Whalen was hanged 130 years ago.

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People watched, with glee seemingly.

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At that time, public hangings were reasonably common across the world.

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That was the way justice was done.

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And the doors were opened onto the outside world, and about 5,000 people turned up to see the hidden die.

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Next, Peter wanted to go to the parking lot on the other side of the building.

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Keep in mind that Peter had not yet been told about the hanging of Patrick James Whalen, or that the notorious prisoner even existed at all.

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Patrick had something to do with this, with this area as well.

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It was Patrick Whalen's wish that his body be buried in Montreal, next to the grave of his best friend.

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And the then prime minister of the time had promised him that this wish would be granted.

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In actual fact, his body was buried in the courtyard of the jail, in the middle of the night, with no ceremony of any sort.

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So, his wishes were not granted. That promise was broken.

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Just after 11 o'clock, the hostel was quieting down, time for lights out, and time for Peter to attempt to make contact with the spirits.

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See, I hear screams, I hear moans and groans, because I get a sense of whippings, and...

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Hello? Hello? Who's here?

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Someone's at that fire corner. Look, look, look, look, look.

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Patrick! You're in another dimension!

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Talk to me now!

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Yes, see, I feel he's talking, he's talking to me now.

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And he's saying that he didn't like Mickey.

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Mickey? Who's Mickey?

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Now, he says, I wasn't even, I wasn't even here in November. Now, what does that mean? I have no idea what that means.

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Through Peter, Patrick seemed to say that although he didn't like Mickey, he didn't kill him.

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And he was not in Ottawa in November when the prosecution contends Whalen purchased the murder weapon.

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The evidence convicting Whalen for the murder of McGee was very, very circumstantial.

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It was based on hearsay. No one ever even saw the assassin who killed McGee.

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Finally, Peter took the same steps that Patrick Whalen had taken on his trip to the gallows so many years ago.

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Vibrationally, I don't want to go. I know it's my last walk. It's my last moment of life. I mean, how sad, how tragically sad.

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Whalen on the day of his execution was led to the gallows from his last death row cell.

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And standing on the gallows, they said, any last words, Jim? And he said, God save Ireland and God save my soul.

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With that, they put the White Hood over his head and the new surrounding's neck and they hung him.

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On February 11th, 1869, Whalen was hanged by the neck until he was dead.

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Whether it was because he was an innocent man falsely accused or because of the broken promise about his final resting place,

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Peter James is certain that this is one spirit who does not rest in peace.

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I would say his presence is certainly here.

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And I believe that he walks these corridors nightly looking for a way out.

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Hostiling is a great way to explore the world on a budget. And the staff at the Ottawa Hostel hope that the faint of heart will not be discouraged from visiting their historic facility.

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The ghosts, they tell us, respect the do not disturb sign that comes with every room.

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Next, rewiring the brain.

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Later, a new analysis of the Alien Autopsy film and the future as seen by Native Americans.

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Amnesia is one of the oldest soap opera plots in the book.

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Inevitably, the confused heroine comes out of her accident-induced fog through the love and dedication of the hero.

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In real life, amnesia is a crippling condition that rewires the brain with frightening long-term consequences.

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Because sometimes, as Carl Wol discovered in her investigation, the amnesiac never comes back.

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Who am I? Why am I here? What is love?

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These are the questions we spend our lives asking, building our personalities based on the answers we find along the way.

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But what if suddenly that personality was gone? A screech of tires, a crash, then nothing?

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No memory of who you'd been before.

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It happened to Patsy Cannon when she and nine-year-old daughter, Lea, were in a terrible car crash in Birmingham, Alabama, ten years ago.

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I remember getting in the car, I remember going on the curve, I remember the impact, I remember the car spinning, I remember stopping.

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Lea survived with only minor injuries. Her mother, however, was not so lucky. She was unconscious, and later at the hospital, doctors determined she had a severe brain injury.

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When Patsy came out of her coma, she knew where she was, but not who she was.

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It's like I had the hardware, but the software, suddenly the disc was graced.

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Did your daughter come visit you in the hospital, and did you know who she was?

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Didn't have a clue who she was.

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As Patsy's body began to heal, the blank tapes inside her head started to fill up again.

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But strangely, a completely different personality was emerging. She was no longer the Patsy Cannon her friends remember.

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I didn't like the clothes in my closet. I would pick out something and go, ah, where did this come from?

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I would get nauseated going into work every day, because I felt like, why am I here?

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She had new preferences, but emotionally she was still a blank, cold slate.

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People talk about a mother's love. There was no feeling in the pity or stomach. No, did you know what love was even?

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I didn't have a clue what love was.

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Love and the way we express it, and how you express love, and how you express anger, and how you express all of your emotions are a part of knowledge.

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Patsy feels that not only is she a different person, she's not yet a whole person.

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According to Dr. J. Maithaler, director of brain injury services at the University of Alabama's Spain Rehabilitation Center,

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severe head trauma can alter personality and wipe out some essential brain functions.

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People do reconnect their brains differently. Neurons appear to substitute in for each other. The so-called backup systems.

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New connections are formed, and people don't always come out the same.

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You're saying that a hit to your head can essentially rewire the brain.

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People change their tastes in music. I see people go from type A to type B, type B to type A.

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I've seen husband and wives near divorce, like each other, and go the reverse.

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The really exciting part of neuroscience that we're in now is that we really are beginning to see a relationship between the brain and the mind.

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For Dr. Jeffrey Cummings, a professor of neurology and psychiatry at the UCLA School of Medicine,

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the difference between the brain and the mind is the big question science has yet to answer.

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The brain is composed of several billion cells that have several trillion synapses with each other.

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And we have almost no idea of how this global network of cells brings an idea forth or allows self-consciousness to occur.

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We'd like to ask the big question, and we'd like to get the big answer, but science works one small step at a time.

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Dr. Daniel DeLays is a clinical psychologist who began working with Patsy shortly after her car crash.

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Because of her case, he now specializes in head trauma, which affects nearly half a million Americans.

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From a clinical standpoint, it really is quite exciting to work with someone and basically help them to formulate who they're going to be.

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It's a very exciting, challenging, but awesome responsibility.

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After nearly a decade of therapy and physical rehabilitation, Patsy has rebuilt her life.

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There are still moments of profound sadness, and yet there is a positive side to her transformation.

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You know, it's like I'm pretty free now to be who I am, not to have to fit somebody else's mold.

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A big part of it is I don't have a lot of the baggage that other people have.

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But this reeducation process raises some serious ethical questions.

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Who will decide what will be recorded on the blank tapes of a human mind?

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Will people then choose to be rewired at will?

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There's a lot of research that indicates that that is true.

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That by the rehabilitation methods that you use, the cognitive and psychological and physical environments you use,

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you can stimulate the brain to develop in certain pathways and come out with what we call better outcomes.

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As doctors debate the future of brain trauma rehabilitation, Patsy Cannon is slowly building a past.

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She heads a program helping head trauma survivors reenter the mainstream.

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Doctors Maythaller and DeLay's are advisors, and she's developing a new closeness with her daughter Leia,

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finally at peace with who she is today.

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If there's something you come away from this whole experience with, if there's one overriding thought, what would that be?

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What makes us people is our brains.

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I think that it's amazing that it's created the way it is.

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And I think that the one thing we often miss is the fact that how we manage it is so much a part of what we do with our lives.

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And that's the thing that's important.

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From the injury, I think I'm much more in tune to every day how precious life is, how precious people are.

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That needs to be respected.

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Permanent amnesia is a fairly rare condition, but other types of traumatic brain injury called TBI are not.

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In fact, TBI is the leading cause of accidental death for Americans under 45.

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And in the time it is taken to report this statistic, one person in the United States has sustained a traumatic brain injury.

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Next, a new analysis questions the authenticity of the alien autopsy film.

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And the Spanish government turns over its secret UFO files.

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Here are some of the stories Sightings is following in the news.

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The Roswell autopsy film continues to generate unprecedented worldwide debate.

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Now an expert in antique camera and film technique has come forward with his controversial analysis.

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In Seattle, Washington, a mutual UFO network researcher has broken ranks, challenging the authenticity of the Roswell autopsy film.

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Clive Tobin is a veteran film analyst with 30 years experience.

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He has examined portions of the controversial autopsy film frame by frame and has discovered an apparent anachronism visible only under magnification.

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What's being shown is a positive print made on a piece of equipment that only existed after 1960.

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Tobin found his evidence on the edge of the Roswell film.

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It contains markings created with a C-printer, a device first in use 13 years after the supposed autopsy took place.

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This is a video freeze frame here from the alien autopsy broadcast.

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This bit of film mounted in the slide mount is by all reports what they consider to be actual original film.

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However, if you see this characteristic footprint here along the edge, that is from a C-printer.

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The C-printer was first made around 1960.

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So this film print, and it is a print, could not have been produced really in 1947.

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However, other researchers point to edge markings on the film that are consistent with vintage 1947

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But Tobin does not believe this is an accurate method of dating.

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The edge printing could have come from genuinely old film from 1947 where they just copied the edge printing and the edge date code onto this particular strip of film.

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Tobin feels that only a complete examination of the entire original film by a blue ribbon panel will put the controversy to rest.

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So far the film's owners have refused.

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In Canyon Lake, California, author Thomas Mayles has completed his translations of ancient Hopi prophecies that pretend an ominous future for humankind.

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It's the most important message the world is going to hear right now.

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It tells us of terrors to come and terrors the world has earned.

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In his new book, Hote Villa, Mayles details the 110 prophecies handed down by Massau, a 12th century Hopi prophet.

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Massau's accurate predictions so far include the coming of the white man and the onset of both world wars.

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And according to Mayles, he also predicted a third world war in this century that will destroy nearly all life on earth.

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The basis for Mayles' belief in a cataclysmic finale to the 20th century is this stone called the Hopi Lifestone.

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The symbols on the stone, according to Mayles' interpretation, describe violent events that have occurred in this century.

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An additional symbol points to a terrible event in the future. This symbol, Mayles' believes, represents the flag of China.

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I think it's very probable that the third and great war will begin with China.

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Mayles believes that there will be a few survivors. Those who heed the stone's warning and embrace the Hopi view of life and nature will be the chosen few.

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It has to do with attitude and feeling that makes you save a natural environmentalist.

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And as people begin to do these things, the world over, the whole attitude of the world will change.

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Mother Earth herself will quiet down because she'll know that everything is going to be all right.

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In Sheffield, England, internationally renowned UFO investigator Vincente Juan Balestra Olmos astounded his colleagues at this UFO conference with the announcement that, for the first time in history, a government will declassify all of its UFO files.

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The country is Spain.

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They like to put stamps on every document and they used to put confidential and secret stamps. Why? Because they didn't know how to handle something which was unknown to them.

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For over 20 years, hundreds of well-documented UFO sightings have been kept locked away in the top secret files of the Spanish government.

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Olmos had been aware of their existence for a number of years, but had been denied access to any and all UFO materials.

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I presented a number of arguments and reasons why this subject is not military in nature. It should be open for scientific scrutiny and study.

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To date, 70 official Spanish Air Force UFO reports, classified top secret from 1962 to 1979, have been released to Olmos and other Spanish ufologists.

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By presenting his triumph at the Sheffield conference, Olmos hopes other ufologists will use his Spanish model to gain access to their own country's UFO documents.

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The effect will be good for ufologists because we will have access to wealth of new information.

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We'll have more stories from the news next time. Now, here's what's coming up on sightings.

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The town of Exeter, New Hampshire has returned to normal following a major UFO encounter 30 years ago, not so for the witnesses.

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I wish to hell it had never happened. I'd like to just be a normal person and give everybody else.

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On Capitol Hill, congressional investigations are reserved for matters of great import, issues that will affect the security, prosperity and the rights of the American people.

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And it was with this sense of public duty that Gerald Ford chaired a congressional investigation in 1966, an investigation into a series of UFO sightings that the Pentagon had failed to explain to anyone's satisfaction.

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We have not been hiding anything. The investigations have been made public. The explanations of those where there is a clear explanation have been made public. The hearing this morning was public for just that reason.

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It was an age of innocence when a veteran reporter getting to the bottom of the UFO story expected a straight answer from the Air Force.

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Does this mean that the Air Force really thinks that there are such things as flying saucers?

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This is, cannot be released, no statement until after the United States Air Force has reviewed the investigation.

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In the 1960s, the American public turned to the federal government and demanded an explanation for the increasing number of UFO sightings.

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The government offered little or no information disregarding or at worst discrediting the sightings and the eyewitnesses.

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In Exeter, New Hampshire in September of 1965, Air Force investigators arrived at the home of Norman Muscarello and Norman learned that going public about his UFO encounter was a dangerous endeavor.

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They came in my mother's kitchen, asked where I was, he said, where's Norman? She says in the living room and he marched right out there without asking or anything.

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And he said, you shut your mouth. Don't you say another word. Exactly what did you think you saw?

He was trying to say to me that I didn't see what I saw.

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What Norman Muscarello claims he saw was a brilliant UFO in a field next to his Exeter home. On September 3rd, 1965, Norman was walking home just after midnight.

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I got right over to this stone over here, I'd sit close to this stone wall and this is when this thing appeared and it was like it came out of nowhere.

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It was just zap. All of a sudden there it was, biggest of house up over these trees.

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And he observed this craft hovering over a home right next to where he was. The home was completely bathed in red light. The area was bathed in red light. It was no sound.

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When Norman reported his encounter to the local police, he found out he was not alone.

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There were other sightings that night that made it interesting. In fact, prior to Norman seeing the UFO officer Bertrand came upon a woman motorist that was parked beside the road and she described a similar object that had chased her.

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In fact, there were a total of six reports filed with the Exeter police on the night of September 3rd, 1965.

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It was the number of credible eyewitnesses and the consistency among their descriptions that drew Raymond Fowler into the case.

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Fowler is one of America's preeminent UFO investigators. He has worked on many landmark cases including the Allagash Abduction.

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At the time of the Exeter sightings, Fowler was a member of NICAP, the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomenon.

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Our mission was to investigate UFO sightings, make them available to interested scientists who were studying the phenomena and make this information public.

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For the past 30 years, Fowler has followed through on Norman Muscarello's story. His investigation of the incident at Exeter is now considered one of the most extensively documented UFO sightings.

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What made this case interesting to me was the fact that an object as large as a barn was seen within 500 feet of witnesses.

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As the early reports began to come into police headquarters, Officer Eugene Bertrand was called in from the field after listening to Norman's story they drove together to investigate the area.

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He pulled his cruiser up on the other side of the road and we proceeded in this direction. Down this way, he had a large steel beam flashlight in his hand.

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At that point, Police Officer David Hunt drove up and joined the foot search.

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And they walked out into the field and Norman yelled, look out, here it comes and up over the treetops comes this object right at them with the red flashing lights.

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And they come up over the treeline in this direction, moved this way, that way, back and forth this way and then moved in that direction and headed eastward.

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When the UFO moved away, Norman and the two officers returned to the police station.

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At the same time, a local reporter was filing this story for the Exeter newspaper.

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And the police and the press were the only ones investigating the UFO sightings. Officials at nearby P's Air Force Base became involved.

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First, they interviewed officers Bertrand and Hunt and then Norman Muscarello, who claims he was told not to talk about what he had witnessed.

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I have no question in my mind, they're covering up something.

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I'm thoroughly convinced that the federal government, whether it be the Army, Air Force, Navy, was out actively researching trying to figure out what was going on.

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It is significant that the Exeter sightings were in very close proximity to the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard and P's Air Force Base.

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UFOs seem to have a keen interest in places where atomic weapons are either stored or atomic energy is being generated.

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This includes places like the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard where you have atomic submarines.

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It includes places like P's Air Force Base where atomic weapons are stored.

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Fowler believes that the Air Force launched a disinformation campaign, suggesting the Exeter UFO was a late night advertising gimmick.

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It was a classical case where you had reliable witnesses seeing an object that they couldn't identify at close range and then having the Air Force on the other hand investigating but then telling the public that there was nothing to it.

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The incident at Exeter was the first in a series of UFO sightings which culminated a year later with mass sightings in Michigan.

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The public became increasingly dissatisfied with the military's official explanation and a congressional hearing on UFOs was proposed by then Congressman Gerald Ford.

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And he and other men and women in Congress felt that the Air Force was not handling the UFO problem properly because they were getting so many complaints from the public concerning their explanations and so forth.

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Fowler's exhaustive report on the UFO encounter at Exeter was put into the congressional record.

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During the hearings on April 5th 1966, the committee presented the findings in Fowler's report to Air Force officials and asked for an explanation.

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I felt that this particular case was interesting and that it showed that the Air Force wasn't really telling the truth to the public.

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They discussed the report in the Air Force back down and admitted that the object was unidentified.

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Norman Muscarello's sighting had far reaching effects on future UFO investigations but for him the incident at Exeter remains deeply personal.

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I wish the hell it had never happened. No, I really do. I wish I could have just walked through life without this happening.

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I'd like to just be a normal person and I'd give everybody else.

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The congressional investigation did elicit an admission from the Air Force that the Exeter craft was in fact unidentified.

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But ufologists are frustrated that the investigation went no further and that no one inside the government since then has ever tried to identify exactly what was flying over Exeter that night.

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Next, medical science embraces the visions of a psychic dreamer.

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There are doctors out there who are having success with using Casey's readings in the treatment.

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His wife had been in a coma for three months. Doctors were using words like vegetative state and hopeless.

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Inventional medical wisdom was bleak. So John Hendricks decided he had to seek healing wisdom from a very unconventional source.

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In February 1985, Lucille Hendricks nearly died. Her skull was crushed. She was in a deep coma. Doctors told Lucille's husband John that there was very little they could do.

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He was in a coma for 80 days and they kept telling us here that it was hopeless. He said, I don't think she's going to make it. It would be simpler and better to let her go now.

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But the healing wisdom of this man, Edgar Casey, gave the Hendricks hope. Long before Lucille was even born, Casey would lapse into self-induced trances and divine new methods of healing, including the one that would one day rehabilitate Lucille Hendricks.

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He was known as the sleeping prophet and his psychic readings made him world famous.

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Nothing in this lifetime that we could find suggested that he had had any kind of medical training.

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Dr. Harmon Bro is one of the few people still alive today who worked with Edgar Casey and witnessed the daily trances during which Casey imparted medical diagnosis and treatments.

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Then he stretched out and began to breathe deeply and regularly, put his hands up over his forehead and that seemed to be related to some delicate centers in his body. His eyelids would begin to flutter.

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Then he moved to the more technical questions of prognosis. First, what's going to happen? Where are you? How are your doctors doing with you? How's your medication?

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And then diagnosis very carefully and thorough, beginning with the whole blood stream and the content of the blood and the blood pressure and all that, then the nervous system, then the organ systems, one after another, extremely thorough and exciting as hell because of that.

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And then moving to treatment modalities which were remarkably rich and balanced. And Casey does a nifty job of correlating both the biology and the anatomy and the physiology of our physical health and this other deeper human stuff that engages our values, our commitments and our real beings.

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That's exciting stuff and worthy of serious work in our times.

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When Lucille emerged from her coma and conventional rehabilitation was proving unsuccessful, John brought his wife to the ARE clinic in Phoenix, Arizona. Here an unconventional team of healthcare

professionals are dedicated to studying and applying the treatments prescribed by Casey during his trances.

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Egger Casey was a light to other people throughout the world. Casey said there are no conditions of the human body that cannot be returned back to normal. And so we're searching for those answers as to how that might be done.

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Most of the patients who find their way here are people who have been told there is no hope or there's nothing more can be done.

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Some of the treatments are unique to this facility and Casey's other clinic in Virginia. In addition to these, more mainstream therapies are used for a balanced holistic approach.

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The therapies such as counseling, biofeedback, massage, colonics, acupoint treatment, which is kind of like a painless type of acupuncture.

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We have seen incredible things happen here when people within themselves believe that they can get well.

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Right from the beginning, they had this positive attitude and they instilled that in me.

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They anticipated my recovery. That rubbed off on John and me. They just knew it was going to happen and they anticipated it.

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The Hendricks are convinced that it was Casey's psychic healing wisdom that led Lucille to a recovery her physicians back home have called miraculous.

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When we see somebody like Lucille recover, like she did, particularly in such a short amount of time, there is so much excitement that runs through the entire clinic that you just can't contain it.

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Without them, she would have gone to long term hospital to be a vegetable the rest of her life.

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We had no other way to turn.

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The Association for Research and Enlightenment is cataloging more than 14,000 psychic readings that Edgar Casey gave during his lifetime.

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And new therapies are being uncovered that may give hope to the seriously ill.

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A lot of this stuff is just now coming to light. We're only in the first 60, 70 years of this information.

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But there are doctors out there who are having success with using Casey's readings in their treatment.

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According to Edgar Casey's grandson Thomas, even now, 50 years after Casey's death, the mysterious treatments of the sleeping prophet are waking up the traditional medical establishment.

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We're in very exciting times with regard to an increased openness toward considering alternative approaches to health and healing.

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And I think my grandfather's readings will make a contribution in this area.

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The holistic approach to healing practiced at the A.R.E. Clinic in Virginia Beach has had many successes, but it is not yet accepted in the mainstream,

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evidenced by the fact that most of the clinic's procedures are not covered by standard health insurance.

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Next, Japan's ancient UFO sightings continue to this day.

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There are bright lights, red, yellow, and a bright white light.

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Until recently, the earliest known UFO sighting was thought to have occurred near Laspizia, Italy in 1558.

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But on a recent trip to Japan, I met with that country's premier ufologist and learned that Japan, too, has a rich history of UFO sightings that are far more ancient, dating back thousands of years.

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The rise and fall of Japan's great empires has been scrupulously documented, creating for posterity an intimate history unprecedented in its detail.

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And among those details, there are stranger counts and artifacts of unearthly encounters, dating back thousands of years.

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Kanichi Arai has studied UFOs since his days in the Japanese Air Force in the late 1940s.

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He has collected sculpture from the Dugu period, dating back as early as 1000 BC. What these figures depict is still not known.

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If you look at the Dugu sculptures, they resemble aliens. I'm not positive, but I think it's a

great possibility. They are some type of non-human being.

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Arai's extensive collection of UFO material is now housed in a library he created and opened to the public in 1979.

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I have so many books on UFOs, and within Japan, there are not many people that have a library as extensive as mine.

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Interest in Japanese ufology is so widespread that a national symposium was convened in 1990 in the town of Hakui, known as a hotspot for UFO activity.

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Over here, this is interesting because these things are from here, aren't they? I mean, these are from this...

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I met city official, Jose Tocano there, and he took me through the town's UFO exhibition.

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Among the displays is a 1990 letter from then Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, who wrote endorsing the Hakui Symposium and expressing his belief in the significance of UFO sightings.

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The Japanese government does have some interest in this area. It has held meetings regarding UFOs. There are publications from the Japanese government on UFOs.

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I saw the extent of the Japanese government's commitment to the study of UFOs at the construction site of Japan's first UFO museum.

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An ambitious project funded both publicly and privately.

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Tell us about the UFO museum. Why is it here in Hakui?

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We feel this is an important project. Hakui has historically had many UFO sightings and is part of the UFO culture.

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At one of Hakui's most ancient temples, I was shown a scroll dating from 682 AD. It tells the story of an empress who encountered mysterious objects zigzagging across the sky.

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It's the kind of sightings still being reported in Hakui today, most recently by Hisayoshi Miyazaki.

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This is where I saw the UFO. There were bright lights, red, yellow and a bright white light. Around where the red light is flashing, I saw the UFO.

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I looked closely and saw it flying around. It floated around for about 3 to 4 minutes.

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In Japan, there have been many incidents in which people claim that they have come and gone.

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Or have been kidnapped by little grays. When researched in depth, it has been found that the description of the incident is similar with incidents throughout the world.

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But the world's attitude toward UFO research has not been as generally accepted and promoted as it has in Japan.

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We now have financial support from the Japanese government. With that support, we are building a UFO museum.

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We are trying to educate people regarding UFOs so that we could work towards universal peace.

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The saucer-shaped UFO museum in Hakui, Japan is now under construction. When it's opened in early 1997, it will house one of the most extensive collections of UFO data and artifacts in the world.

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Sightings is now on the Internet as part of the Sci-Fi Channel's Dominion website.

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By typing sci-fi.com, users can access information about the entire global Sci-Fi Channel lineup, as well as downloads from dozens of Sci-Fi movies and series, interviews with noted celebrities, games, and links to the hottest paranormal websites.

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We now are able to reach a worldwide audience of sightings fans, which enables them to give us feedback on what we're producing and how we're showing stories to people.

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We have features from some of our stories on a weekly basis. We have downloadable images and quick-time clips.

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When I make contact with this entity, I will become a little confrontational.

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Hello? Hello?

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Since its inception, Dominion has become the home of all things science fiction on the World Wide Web.

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Now, with the addition of sightings online, the hope is that it will become a clearinghouse for all things paranormal as well.

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Already on the Dominion site, they have access to all the major paranormal links on the Internet.

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We're hoping to reach a worldwide audience and provide state-of-the-art information and news about the paranormal world.

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If you've had a paranormal experience, contact sightings on the World Wide Web at sci-fi.com.

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Sightings can also be contacted at America Online at keyword sightings.

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Or write to us, care of Paramount Television.

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Until next time, remember, no mystery is closed to an open mind.

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For Sightings, I'm Tim White.

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