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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:08,595

On the evening of August 21st, 2004, residents of the small village of Tinley Park, Illinois

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00:00:08,595 --> 00:00:15,680

casually gaze up to the skies and soon realize they're not alone.

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00:00:15,680 --> 00:00:20,723

A mass sighting of three strange red lights grips this tiny suburb on the outskirts of

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00:00:20,723 --> 00:00:21,723

Chicago.

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00:00:21,723 --> 00:00:25,005

These lights were observed by thousands of people.

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00:00:25,005 --> 00:00:27,126

I saw three red lights.

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00:00:27,126 --> 00:00:29,648

This was definitely not an airplane.

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00:00:29,648 --> 00:00:33,290

It was unlike anything I'd seen before or after.

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00:00:33,290 --> 00:00:40,815

The sighting spiral out from Tinley Park to towns all across the Chicago Southland.

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00:00:40,815 --> 00:00:49,019

Residents are left without an explanation.

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00:00:49,019 --> 00:00:59,626

And these lights may be part of a worldwide visitation.

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00:00:59,626 --> 00:01:08,111

Now for the first time, witnesses are coming forward.

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00:01:08,111 --> 00:01:18,997

With never-before-seen footage of the Tinley Park lights, this is case number nine.

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00:01:19,998 --> 00:01:36,168

79001 Invasion, Illinois.

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00:01:36,168 --> 00:01:39,129

Right outside our front window, we were able to see it.

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00:01:39,129 --> 00:01:46,093

Three red lights in the sky.

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00:01:46,093 --> 00:01:51,056

August 21st, 2004, Tinley Park, Illinois.

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00:01:51,056 --> 00:01:56,500

In this quiet suburb just 30 miles south of Chicago, many are taking advantage of what

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00:01:56,500 --> 00:02:00,542

they think will be a normal summer night.

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00:02:00,542 --> 00:02:07,946

They're gathered at block parties, at barbecues, and at a local concert by rocker Ozzy Osbourne.

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00:02:07,946 --> 00:02:12,549

The mood is festive and the skies are clear.

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00:02:12,549 --> 00:02:13,950

But not for long.

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00:02:13,950 --> 00:02:15,351

I got it on tape!

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00:02:15,351 --> 00:02:20,994

I got it!

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00:02:20,994 --> 00:02:28,879

The first of over 50 reports begin pouring into local authorities just after 7pm.

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00:02:28,879 --> 00:02:34,282

There's something strange in the skies above Tinley Park.

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00:02:34,282 --> 00:02:39,965

Three bright red-orange lights that seem at times to be flying in a triangular formation

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00:02:39,965 --> 00:02:43,968

and sometimes in a straight line.

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00:02:43,968 --> 00:02:50,052

Actual video from that night shows the lights moving silently and slowly from west to east

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00:02:50,052 --> 00:02:57,416

over the Tinley Park area, often visible for as long as 30 minutes.

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00:02:57,416 --> 00:03:03,980

By 9pm, reports of the strange lights spread like wildfire over the Chicago suburbs.

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00:03:03,980 --> 00:03:16,907

Tinley Park, Lake in the Hills, Oak Forest, Orland Park, Moquina, Madison, Frankfurt.

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00:03:16,907 --> 00:03:20,910

I saw three red lights in the sky.

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00:03:20,910 --> 00:03:26,233

They were kind of hovering in changing formations from a triangle to like a three in a row,

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00:03:26,233 --> 00:03:27,234

like dot dot dot.

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00:03:27,474 --> 00:03:35,759

The next thing just floated across the sky from southwest to northeast.

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00:03:35,759 --> 00:03:43,283

Here we are at the first Midwest Banked Amphitheater, formerly known as the Tweeter Center, the site

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00:03:43,283 --> 00:03:48,526

of August 21st 2004 of Oz Fest.

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00:03:48,526 --> 00:03:54,610

On that night, people leaving the amphitheater after the concert was over got caught in a

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00:03:54,610 --> 00:04:00,213

traffic jam and in the traffic jam they're looking up and they see dazzling light formations

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00:04:00,213 --> 00:04:01,214

in the sky.

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00:04:01,214 --> 00:04:03,655

Now we know what some people might say.

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00:04:03,655 --> 00:04:05,937

I mean, it was an Oz Fest concert.

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00:04:05,937 --> 00:04:12,861

Of course people are going to see lights in the sky.

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00:04:12,861 --> 00:04:16,863

The Tinley Park case should have the makings for a really interesting case.

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00:04:16,863 --> 00:04:17,864

There's a lot of evidence.

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00:04:17,864 --> 00:04:23,067

We've got a lot of witness testimony spread over a wide geographic area and the case is

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00:04:23,067 --> 00:04:24,067

really fresh.

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00:04:24,067 --> 00:04:25,068

It's current.

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00:04:25,068 --> 00:04:30,591

And the people in Tinley Park were alone.

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00:04:30,591 --> 00:04:33,313

This isn't just a regional mass sighting.

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00:04:33,313 --> 00:04:37,315

The team believes this may be a worldwide event.

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00:04:37,315 --> 00:04:43,199

A similar set of lights is captured on tape two days prior in British Columbia, Canada,

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00:04:43,199 --> 00:04:46,121

then in Minnesota.

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00:04:46,121 --> 00:04:52,604

The day after the Tinley Park sightings, August 22nd, the lights appear in Houston, Texas

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00:04:52,805 --> 00:04:58,008

and this actual video appears to show objects hovering over Melbourne, Australia the very

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00:04:58,008 --> 00:05:03,571

next day.

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00:05:03,571 --> 00:05:08,494

Triangle-shaped encounters are on the rise, joining the more traditional cigar and saucer

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00:05:08,494 --> 00:05:12,596

shaped reports.

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00:05:12,596 --> 00:05:18,460

Sightings of strange triangle shaped craft skyrocketed in the early 1980s.

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00:05:18,460 --> 00:05:24,423

The military's unveiling of both the F-117 stealth fighter and the B-2 stealth bomber

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00:05:24,423 --> 00:05:30,107

in November 1988 helped explain a number of these accounts.

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00:05:30,107 --> 00:05:34,069

Still, many mysteries remain.

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00:05:34,069 --> 00:05:42,074

The mysterious Belgium UFO of 1990 seen here and the Phoenix Lights Triangle of 1994 have

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00:05:42,074 --> 00:05:44,515

become landmark cases.

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00:05:44,515 --> 00:05:49,518

Now it's up to the team to find out if the Tinley Park Triangle is part of this greater

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00:05:49,518 --> 00:05:54,922

phenomenon.

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00:05:54,922 --> 00:05:59,164

October 31st, 2004, Halloween.

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00:05:59,164 --> 00:06:02,886

The Triangle returns to the skies over Tinley Park.

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00:06:02,886 --> 00:06:04,127

The red lights are back.

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00:06:04,127 --> 00:06:06,769

They're over about the 80th Avenue train station.

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00:06:06,769 --> 00:06:10,531

And again, are seen and taped by large groups of people.

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00:06:10,531 --> 00:06:19,256

The dead speed up as close as you can get on this thing.

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00:06:19,256 --> 00:06:21,978

The debunkers tell us these are flares.

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00:06:21,978 --> 00:06:26,580

These are flares attached to balloons that are hovering in the air.

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00:06:26,580 --> 00:06:32,864

Could these lights, witnessed by hundreds and maybe thousands, be simply a hoax or something

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00:06:32,864 --> 00:06:34,425

else entirely?

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00:06:41,549 --> 00:06:49,194

The Tinley Park investigation is underway, as several angles are explored.

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00:06:49,194 --> 00:06:54,317

Pat Uskert is collecting video evidence from the eyewitnesses and attempting to pinpoint

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00:06:54,317 --> 00:06:57,599

the precise locations of each sighting.

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00:06:57,599 --> 00:06:59,680

At this point, we really need to see a lot more information.

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00:06:59,680 --> 00:07:01,241

I need to see more video.

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00:07:01,241 --> 00:07:03,122

I need to talk to more people.

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00:07:03,122 --> 00:07:05,083

We've got a lot of work ahead of us.

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00:07:05,083 --> 00:07:11,647

Former NASA analyst Dr. Ted Ackworth will use Pat's data and the videos to scientifically

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00:07:11,647 --> 00:07:17,891

calculate the size and speed of this object and, with this information, attempt to identify

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00:07:17,891 --> 00:07:18,892

it.

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00:07:18,892 --> 00:07:23,174

Are these three points of light all fixed together as part of one rigid object?

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00:07:23,174 --> 00:07:25,976

And if so, how big is this thing?

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00:07:25,976 --> 00:07:31,699

And Bill Burns tests an alleged hoax to see whether the lights are actually flares attached

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00:07:31,699 --> 00:07:33,340

to balloons.

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00:07:33,340 --> 00:07:39,024

We may not know what these lights were, but by the end of this investigation, we're sure

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00:07:39,024 --> 00:07:41,425

going to find out what these lights were not.

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00:07:41,425 --> 00:07:48,429

We're meeting Sam Moranto, director of Illinois Mufon.

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00:07:48,429 --> 00:07:53,072

He's our main contact here on the ground in Tinley Park.

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00:07:53,072 --> 00:07:55,553

Sam was the point man.

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00:07:55,553 --> 00:07:58,995

In cop shop terms, he's the squeal man for this case.

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00:07:58,995 --> 00:08:01,117

He takes the first call.

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00:08:01,117 --> 00:08:03,478

When everyone saw the lights, they contacted him.

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00:08:03,478 --> 00:08:08,241

He's actually been in touch with all the people who have the footage, the eyewitnesses, people

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00:08:08,241 --> 00:08:13,084

who say they saw this thing in the sky, whatever it was.

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00:08:13,084 --> 00:08:17,767

I think I probably interviewed well in excess of a hundred people.

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00:08:17,767 --> 00:08:26,372

According to Sam, the Tinley Park events are among the best documented UFO sightings ever.

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00:08:26,372 --> 00:08:28,533

Many people have seen UFOs.

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00:08:28,533 --> 00:08:30,014

Rarely do they report them.

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00:08:30,014 --> 00:08:36,738

They rarely even get so much as a picture out of most UFO cases.

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00:08:36,738 --> 00:08:42,902

Approximately 25 to 30 videos exist, shot simultaneously from different parts of Tinley

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00:08:42,902 --> 00:08:46,664

Park and the surrounding suburbs.

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00:08:46,664 --> 00:08:52,908

There are still many more people to see and talk to, more footage to recover, and I think

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00:08:52,908 --> 00:08:57,991

this case is evolving.

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00:08:57,991 --> 00:09:00,392

This thing was seen by thousands of people.

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00:09:00,392 --> 00:09:06,556

It did make newspapers nationally in Illinois and even around the world.

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00:09:06,556 --> 00:09:13,480

So Pat goes right to the source, a correspondent from the local paper, The South Town Star.

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00:09:13,480 --> 00:09:15,161

I'm meeting with Jason Freeman.

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00:09:15,161 --> 00:09:16,642

As a journalist, he's objective.

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00:09:16,642 --> 00:09:18,843

He doesn't really have anything to gain from this.

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00:09:18,843 --> 00:09:23,566

He's just interested in getting at the truth very much like we are.

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00:09:23,566 --> 00:09:24,887

I was amazed.

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00:09:24,887 --> 00:09:27,688

But you can never take the reporter out of yourself.

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00:09:27,688 --> 00:09:33,051

So I immediately started to kind of get the scene.

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00:09:33,051 --> 00:09:39,135

Those people who hadn't seen it already had their minds made up that it was what the media

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00:09:39,135 --> 00:09:42,657

said it was, road flares or all these other explanations.

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00:09:42,657 --> 00:09:48,621

Whereas I think the people I saw and myself included, a little more open minded.

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00:09:48,621 --> 00:09:53,904

Jason writes a column about his own personal experience.

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00:09:53,904 --> 00:09:58,026

I got out of my car and tried as hard as I could to get a better view of the anomalies.

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00:09:58,026 --> 00:10:02,109

What exactly was it that I and hundreds of other Timley Park presidents saw that night?

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00:10:02,109 --> 00:10:04,790

I'm not sure.

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00:10:04,790 --> 00:10:08,352

In speaking with a journalist, it's important to keep in mind that he's been trained to

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00:10:08,352 --> 00:10:13,335

just record events as they occur, as unbiased as possible.

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00:10:13,335 --> 00:10:18,438

To my knowledge, no one ever officially explained what they were, which leads me to scratch

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00:10:18,438 --> 00:10:23,882

my hand even more.

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00:10:23,882 --> 00:10:29,445

The police department adamantly said that these were not weather balloons or flares.

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00:10:29,445 --> 00:10:33,127

In fact, every other agency said the same thing.

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00:10:33,127 --> 00:10:38,050

The FAA said this was something that they don't know what it was because it didn't

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00:10:38,050 --> 00:10:41,892

register on their radar.

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00:10:41,892 --> 00:10:48,176

Within 35 miles of Timley Park are Chicago O'Hare and Midway Airports.

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00:10:48,176 --> 00:10:53,860

How could radar operators at two of the nation's busiest airports not pick up an object seen

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00:10:53,860 --> 00:10:56,981

by so many witnesses?

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00:10:56,981 --> 00:11:05,266

The FAA has no answer, which causes the team to rule out commercial or private planes.

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00:11:05,266 --> 00:11:11,030

Perhaps the best evidence may lie in the video.

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00:11:11,030 --> 00:11:16,313

This is a unique scenario because we have so much very good footage.

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00:11:16,313 --> 00:11:22,557

Sam has at least 15 distinct pieces of videotape that capture the bizarre phenomena.

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00:11:22,557 --> 00:11:28,680

This was the August 21, 2004 sighting, mass sighting.

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00:11:28,680 --> 00:11:33,083

This segment of footage is from Hope Forest.

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00:11:33,083 --> 00:11:36,325

I don't know what that is.

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00:11:36,325 --> 00:11:39,447

I wonder how many more there are going to be, but you know what, that was really cool

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00:11:39,447 --> 00:11:40,928

when it was the three of them.

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00:11:40,928 --> 00:11:41,928

I don't know.

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00:11:41,928 --> 00:11:45,971

Do you really think we should call and report this?

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00:11:45,971 --> 00:11:52,695

Three miles to the southwest in Timley Park proper, another witness, TJ Javkan, shoots

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00:11:52,695 --> 00:11:54,856

this footage of the lights.

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00:11:54,856 --> 00:11:55,857

Are you recording this?

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00:11:55,857 --> 00:11:57,738

Yeah, I am.

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00:11:57,738 --> 00:12:05,342

While he's shooting footage further southwest, they're shooting footage in the northeast,

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00:12:05,342 --> 00:12:09,465

so they're actually shooting the same phenomena simultaneously.

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00:12:09,465 --> 00:12:10,465

This is great.

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00:12:10,465 --> 00:12:17,189

The same triangulation on one phenomena that both cameras took up.

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00:12:17,189 --> 00:12:25,074

From every angle, in every neighborhood, eyewitness video captures the lights in the same triangular

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00:12:25,074 --> 00:12:27,996

formation.

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00:12:27,996 --> 00:12:32,919

The various lights almost stayed rigid with respect to each other as they moved through

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00:12:32,919 --> 00:12:33,919

the sky.

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00:12:33,919 --> 00:12:37,081

Do flares do the same thing?

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00:12:37,081 --> 00:12:41,644

I think it would be premature to jump into this and say we're looking at some sort of

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00:12:41,644 --> 00:12:46,166

huge extraterrestrial phenomenon or giant craft over at Timley Park.

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00:12:46,166 --> 00:12:50,889

What we have is three points of light in the sky, and I'd like to keep it right there until

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00:12:50,889 --> 00:12:56,333

I get more information.

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00:12:56,333 --> 00:13:01,335

Skeptics claim there is an ordinary explanation for the Timley Park sightings, but the multiple

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00:13:01,335 --> 00:13:03,617

witnesses don't agree.

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00:13:03,617 --> 00:13:11,141

Herebefore seen footage from that night may finally provide the answer.

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00:13:11,141 --> 00:13:14,663

I knew it wasn't a plane or aircraft of any kind that I've ever seen.

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00:13:14,663 --> 00:13:19,426

There was no noise, so we were kind of amazed and just started to think what it could be,

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00:13:19,426 --> 00:13:24,149

and I really have no answer for that.

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00:13:24,149 --> 00:13:30,433

The team is in Timley Park, Illinois, investigating multiple appearances of an alleged triangle-shaped

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00:13:30,433 --> 00:13:31,433

UFO.

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00:13:31,794 --> 00:13:37,357

Hundreds, if not thousands of people, from lawyers and doctors to concertgoers, claim

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00:13:37,357 --> 00:13:46,843

to have seen three strange reddish lights in the sky on two separate nights in 2004.

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00:13:46,843 --> 00:13:48,644

One witness, two witnesses, that's not enough.

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00:13:48,644 --> 00:13:53,086

We need to get as many witnesses as possible, look at as much evidence as possible, analyze

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00:13:53,086 --> 00:13:57,569

as many videos as possible, and from there put a picture together.

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00:13:57,569 --> 00:14:03,813

It heads out to meet with TJ Japkhan, an eyewitness who was able to capture the alleged UFO on

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00:14:03,813 --> 00:14:07,295

video.

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00:14:07,295 --> 00:14:13,378

While Bill meets with Ted to find out what else might be flying over Timley Park.

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00:14:13,378 --> 00:14:18,541

One question I always have when we have sightings of lights overhead at night is what's going

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00:14:18,541 --> 00:14:23,184

on with commercial airliners and maybe even military aircraft operations.

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00:14:23,184 --> 00:14:27,707

If we can rule out those kinds of aircraft, that leaves a lot of evidence on the table

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00:14:27,707 --> 00:14:31,789

that might lead to something anomalous.

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00:14:31,789 --> 00:14:37,673

Situated within 30 miles of both Chicago O'Hare and Midway Airports, the skies above

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00:14:37,673 --> 00:14:43,356

Timley Park are some of the most congested airspace in the United States.

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00:14:43,356 --> 00:14:48,319

The air is filled with commercial and private aircraft that could be mistaken for something

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00:14:48,319 --> 00:14:51,241

extraterrestrial.

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00:14:51,641 --> 00:14:57,245

According to the team, the strange object might also be a misidentified military craft.

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00:14:57,245 --> 00:15:00,246

But they feel this explanation is unlikely.

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00:15:00,246 --> 00:15:03,928

There is a military operation area way to the north here.

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00:15:03,928 --> 00:15:06,890

It's about roughly 100 miles away.

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00:15:06,890 --> 00:15:10,332

And there's another one way to the southeast also on the order of 100 miles.

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00:15:10,332 --> 00:15:14,655

So I wouldn't say, A, there's no military operation area and B, you're not going to

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00:15:14,655 --> 00:15:19,538

get the military operating right in the middle of this massive international commercial airspace

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00:15:19,738 --> 00:15:23,220

without causing a lot of trouble.

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00:15:23,220 --> 00:15:29,864

Still, Bill tries to get some kind of official statement from the military on the Timley

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00:15:29,864 --> 00:15:31,745

Park phenomenon.

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00:15:31,745 --> 00:15:37,068

He contacts the group commander, a senior military official at nearby Scott Air Force

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00:15:37,068 --> 00:15:38,069

Base.

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00:15:38,069 --> 00:15:41,631

Yes, hi, I'm Bill Burns from UFO Hunters and UFO Magazine.

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00:15:41,631 --> 00:15:47,675

I'm calling in reference to the August 21st, 2004 lights over Timley Park.

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00:15:47,675 --> 00:15:53,758

I'm going to find out what traffic the military had that night.

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00:15:53,758 --> 00:15:56,760

You have no information about that.

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00:15:56,760 --> 00:15:57,761

I understand.

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00:15:57,761 --> 00:15:59,281

I understand.

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00:15:59,281 --> 00:16:05,445

According to the official Air Force response received by UFO Hunters, quote, we do not

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00:16:05,445 --> 00:16:08,487

have any documentation on this at all.

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00:16:08,487 --> 00:16:14,731

Due to the high turnover of military personnel that have left since 2004, we don't have anyone

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00:16:14,811 --> 00:16:18,333

that could possibly speak on this.

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00:16:18,333 --> 00:16:21,335

Now we've got to get to the witness locations.

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00:16:21,335 --> 00:16:22,655

We have to interview the witnesses.

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00:16:22,655 --> 00:16:28,099

The more videos we have and the more witness statements we can get, the more scientific

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00:16:28,099 --> 00:16:33,942

data we can get over to TED to analyze on the workbench to see what we really have in

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00:16:33,942 --> 00:16:38,785

front of us.

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00:16:38,785 --> 00:16:43,788

I saw three red lights that were slowly hanging in the sky.

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00:16:43,828 --> 00:16:46,349

It was the most incredible thing I had ever seen.

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00:16:46,349 --> 00:16:47,830

I've never seen anything like it before.

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00:16:47,830 --> 00:16:51,793

I've never seen anything like those lights.

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00:16:51,793 --> 00:16:56,516

10.45 p.m. August 21st, 2004.

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00:16:56,516 --> 00:17:02,959

TJ Japkhan and Dave Wagner are at a block party with approximately 70 friends and neighbors.

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00:17:02,959 --> 00:17:07,802

They have no idea that their party is about to have some uninvited guests.

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00:17:08,803 --> 00:17:10,804

Come on camera, get me some.

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00:17:10,804 --> 00:17:13,806

My son had seen three lights come off right above the trees.

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00:17:13,806 --> 00:17:14,806

Are you zoomed in all the way?

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00:17:14,806 --> 00:17:15,807

Yeah, Jake, look at that.

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00:17:15,807 --> 00:17:16,808

Can we peek?

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00:17:16,808 --> 00:17:18,809

Okay, look at you guys.

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00:17:18,809 --> 00:17:19,809

It's a UFO.

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00:17:19,809 --> 00:17:23,812

Someone's saying UFO and I did turn around finally and I saw them like, what in the world are

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00:17:23,812 --> 00:17:24,812

these things?

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00:17:24,812 --> 00:17:26,814

We've just never seen anything like that before.

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00:17:26,814 --> 00:17:28,815

Everybody was just staring at it.

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00:17:28,815 --> 00:17:29,815

It just floated across the sky.

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00:17:29,815 --> 00:17:32,817

It's three red lights and like a triangle.

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00:17:32,817 --> 00:17:39,821

TJ gets his video camera and manages to capture the object on tape for an incredible 18 minutes.

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00:17:41,823 --> 00:17:43,824

It's definitely not a helicopter.

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00:17:43,824 --> 00:17:45,825

It's going too slow for helicopters too.

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00:17:45,825 --> 00:17:47,826

It's going right over us.

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00:17:47,826 --> 00:17:52,829

As they watch, they believe the object is maneuvering in ways beyond the capacity of

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00:17:52,829 --> 00:17:54,830

conventional aircraft.

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00:17:54,830 --> 00:17:58,833

It took about 15 or 20 minutes to move from here to over there.

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00:17:58,833 --> 00:18:02,835

Then it stayed stationary for a little while and then it crawled again.

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00:18:02,835 --> 00:18:04,836

So it actually stopped at one point?

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00:18:04,836 --> 00:18:05,837

It stopped, yeah.

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00:18:05,837 --> 00:18:09,839

So it moved across the sky, stopped, and then it continued moving.

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00:18:09,839 --> 00:18:10,840

Yeah.

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00:18:10,840 --> 00:18:11,840

Wow.

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00:18:11,840 --> 00:18:17,844

The slow pace and stationary hovering of the object is highly inconsistent with typical

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00:18:17,844 --> 00:18:21,846

aircraft flight behavior and these locals know it.

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00:18:22,847 --> 00:18:29,851

When a police officer stops by the block party, he is bombarded with questions about the object.

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00:18:29,851 --> 00:18:33,853

We had stopped them and we asked him what was going on and he goes right now, he goes,

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00:18:33,853 --> 00:18:34,854

I can't talk.

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00:18:34,854 --> 00:18:38,856

He has to get back to the station because the station, Tinley Park Police Station, was

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00:18:38,856 --> 00:18:39,857

being inundated with phone calls.

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00:18:39,857 --> 00:18:40,858

Yeah.

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00:18:40,858 --> 00:18:41,858

So everybody was calling the cops.

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00:18:41,858 --> 00:18:43,859

Everyone was calling the police.

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00:18:43,859 --> 00:18:47,862

UFO hunters contacted the Tinley Park Police Station for a statement.

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00:18:47,862 --> 00:18:53,865

The officer in charge had no comment on the case, but their own incident dispatch report

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00:18:53,865 --> 00:18:57,868

shows they did receive calls of red lights in the sky that night.

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00:19:00,870 --> 00:19:05,873

After half an hour, the object slowly disappears into the night.

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00:19:05,873 --> 00:19:08,874

Whoa, where'd it go?

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00:19:08,874 --> 00:19:10,876

Where'd it go?

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00:19:10,876 --> 00:19:11,876

Gone.

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00:19:12,877 --> 00:19:19,881

But around 11.30 p.m., TJ and Dave have another sighting, a single red point of light that

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00:19:19,881 --> 00:19:23,883

follows the same path as the object seen earlier.

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00:19:23,883 --> 00:19:24,884

Oh, come on.

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00:19:24,884 --> 00:19:27,886

Kurt, they're back.

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00:19:27,886 --> 00:19:29,887

The UFOs are back.

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00:19:29,887 --> 00:19:33,889

This time, Dave is ready.

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00:19:33,889 --> 00:19:36,891

He has a high-powered telescope in hand.

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00:19:36,891 --> 00:19:40,893

I didn't see any sides or anything, but from the naked eye, it looked like one dot in the

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00:19:40,893 --> 00:19:47,898

sky, but through the telescope, it looked oval-shaped with about 10 or 12 red lights around it.

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00:19:48,898 --> 00:19:52,901

Pat collects TJ's video and other data for Ted to analyze.

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00:19:52,901 --> 00:19:57,904

He uses a GPS locator to plot the precise location of the sighting.

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00:19:57,904 --> 00:20:03,907

Next, a clinometer helps establish how far off the horizon the alleged UFO appeared to be.

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00:20:03,907 --> 00:20:09,911

Finally, compass readings pinpoint the trajectory of the UFO across the sky.

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00:20:12,912 --> 00:20:18,916

Definitely, the footage that TJ just showed me is very similar to the footage I saw earlier with Sam.

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00:20:18,916 --> 00:20:25,920

These are definitely videos of the same event, the same lights over Tinley Park, whatever they were.

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00:20:26,921 --> 00:20:28,922

What was this object?

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00:20:28,922 --> 00:20:30,923

What was its size?

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00:20:30,923 --> 00:20:33,925

And how far away was it from the witnesses?

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00:20:33,925 --> 00:20:36,927

Or was it an object at all?

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00:20:40,929 --> 00:20:45,932

In order to complete the triangulation, Ted will need data from one final location.

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00:20:45,932 --> 00:20:52,936

With this information, he can also start estimating the size and speed of what these people were seeing,

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00:20:52,936 --> 00:20:55,938

and perhaps even identify it.

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00:20:56,939 --> 00:21:04,943

That same night, Bob Peterson is with his children in his backyard when he sees the same triangle-shaped object.

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00:21:04,943 --> 00:21:08,946

Austin, go ask Mom for the telephone. I want to call somebody.

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00:21:08,946 --> 00:21:11,948

What made you take notice of these lights?

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00:21:11,948 --> 00:21:14,949

I just happened to look up and there were three red lights in the sky.

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00:21:14,949 --> 00:21:16,951

It was definitely an odd thing to see.

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00:21:16,951 --> 00:21:19,952

We are kind of in a play pattern here from Midway Airport.

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00:21:19,952 --> 00:21:22,954

There's a lot of activity as far as planes are concerned.

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00:21:22,954 --> 00:21:26,957

So at first I did think there were helicopters, but as they got closer, I mean they were dead silent.

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00:21:26,957 --> 00:21:28,958

There was just no noise coming from them.

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00:21:28,958 --> 00:21:31,960

So at that point, it wasn't a helicopter.

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00:21:31,960 --> 00:21:32,960

How about airplanes?

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00:21:32,960 --> 00:21:34,961

No, it's way too slow.

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00:21:34,961 --> 00:21:40,965

Despite his sighting, Bob is not convinced that he has seen anything extraordinary.

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00:21:40,965 --> 00:21:45,968

My opinion is there are some type of hoax put on. I don't know what it would be.

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00:21:46,968 --> 00:21:53,973

Bill Dooley, Bob's friend and neighbor, also witnesses the lights, but his reaction is very different.

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00:21:53,973 --> 00:21:59,976

We actually had a high-powered telescope back here at the time and one of our friends got right on it.

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00:21:59,976 --> 00:22:03,979

But he said it looked just like we're seeing it with our naked eye.

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00:22:03,979 --> 00:22:07,981

I thought it was something, you know, some kind of flare or something like that.

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00:22:07,981 --> 00:22:11,983

We thought about that, that you would see some kind of smoke and we didn't.

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00:22:12,984 --> 00:22:17,987

Again, Pat takes the crucial location data for both Bob and Bill's sightings.

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00:22:19,988 --> 00:22:25,992

With three distinct locations, his data compilation is complete and ready to send to Ted.

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00:22:25,992 --> 00:22:31,995

But before Ted comes to any kind of conclusion, the team has a critical experiment to perform.

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00:22:31,995 --> 00:22:36,998

One that will put them directly into the eye of the storm.

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00:22:42,001 --> 00:22:49,005

If it was a hoax, they did a really good job. Whoever created the hoax, that's all I could say.

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00:22:50,006 --> 00:22:58,011

Skeptics and bunkers claim that the three bright red lights seen by hundreds of witnesses in the skies above Tinley Park, Illinois,

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00:22:58,011 --> 00:23:02,013

are nothing more than flares attached to weather balloons.

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00:23:02,013 --> 00:23:07,016

But those who actually saw the lights with their own eyes hold a different opinion.

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00:23:08,017 --> 00:23:14,020

My son and I were on the phone together watching the UFO.

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00:23:14,020 --> 00:23:19,023

Planes, flights, normally flash, but these lights didn't flash.

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00:23:19,023 --> 00:23:22,025

It was exciting and it was disturbing.

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00:23:26,027 --> 00:23:30,030

Dr. Ted Ackworth has worked for NASA's Flying Imaging Aircraft program.

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00:23:30,030 --> 00:23:36,033

He is joined by Terrence Masson, an image processing expert from Northeastern University.

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They begin by analyzing footage shot by TJ Jabgon on August 21, 2004.

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00:23:45,039 --> 00:23:53,044

Ted feels it has the highest image quality of the nearly 30 pieces of video UFO hunters have

collected.

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00:23:54,044 --> 00:24:01,048

My first thought was it was going to be necessary to stabilize because these are shot by normal people background,

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00:24:01,048 --> 00:24:05,051

hand held, so we've got this kind of swimming motion.

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00:24:05,051 --> 00:24:07,052

Sure. That's pretty typical.

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00:24:07,052 --> 00:24:19,059

Once we've done that, I was able to then pick one of the three lights and translationly pin that so that all the related emotion is basically locked around that point.

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Having stabilized one point of the three, Ted and Terrence are able to see how the other two points move around it.

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00:24:27,064 --> 00:24:30,066

Are they free-floating or locked in place?

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00:24:31,066 --> 00:24:40,072

To me, and the numbers bear it out, that it does look like the other two trailing points are locked to that third nodal point in rotating.

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00:24:40,072 --> 00:24:51,078

So either they're fixed to the same physical structure, you know, a triangular craft, or if it's man-made, they have to be some kind of eye-beam, some kind of physical connection.

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00:24:52,079 --> 00:25:00,083

If the lights are all connected, why do they sometimes appear as a triangle and other times appear as a straight line?

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00:25:00,083 --> 00:25:03,085

Is the object shape-shifting?

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00:25:03,085 --> 00:25:07,088

Ted and Terrence's analysis shows that's not the case.

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00:25:07,088 --> 00:25:17,094

The most likely answer is, as the attached lights move in the sky, the only thing that shifts is the viewer's perspective.

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00:25:18,094 --> 00:25:26,099

To my eye, it appeared that those three lights seem to be locked together geometrically, and his analysis agreed with that.

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00:25:26,099 --> 00:25:33,103

We now quantitatively know that those three points of light are locked in space together.

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00:25:35,104 --> 00:25:45,110

Ted and Terrence still cannot determine whether there is a solid triangular craft with a light on each point, or three individual lights that are somehow able to rotate together.

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00:25:46,111 --> 00:25:56,117

One segment of TJ's footage from October 31, 2004 shows a conventional aircraft, a helicopter, flying near the triangle shape.

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00:26:01,120 --> 00:26:11,126

The team contacted all local airports, the FAA, Pilots of America, and numerous other aviation organizations in hopes of finding the pilot.

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00:26:12,126 --> 00:26:18,130

One pilot responded, saying he had been in the air and saw something strange that night.

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00:26:18,130 --> 00:26:23,133

When asked for an interview, he refused, claiming he feared for his job.

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00:26:27,135 --> 00:26:33,139

I'm hoping we can get a sense of the overall size. Is this thing 10 feet across or a quarter mile across?

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00:26:34,139 --> 00:26:45,146

We could take the height of that helicopter image in this frame and compare that to the height of the lights and calculate the distance between those two lights.

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00:26:45,146 --> 00:26:52,150

Because spatially, just in the imagery itself, it's probably about 30 times the linear width of this helicopter.

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00:26:52,150 --> 00:26:53,151

That's getting up to 1,000 feet.

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00:26:53,151 --> 00:26:55,152

1,000 feet as opposed to the width of the helicopter.

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00:26:56,153 --> 00:27:05,158

So based on this method, I think we're in the ballpark of 1,000 plus feet in separation between these three lights.

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00:27:06,159 --> 00:27:15,164

With their estimate of 1,000 feet between the points of light, Ted and Terrence plug in the location data that Pat has gathered from the eyewitnesses.

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00:27:16,165 --> 00:27:20,167

The GPS locator pinpoints each sighting on the map.

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00:27:20,167 --> 00:27:27,171

The clinometer reading reveals the angle of elevation or how high off the horizon the lights appear to be.

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00:27:28,172 --> 00:27:33,175

Compass readings indicate in which direction the alleged UFO is traveling.

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00:27:34,175 --> 00:27:40,179

Without this additional information, no true estimate of the size of the object can be made.

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00:27:41,179 --> 00:27:52,186

Based on the clinometer and compass readings, the witnesses all appear to have seen the same object to the west and low to the horizon between 5 and 10 degrees.

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00:27:56,188 --> 00:28:08,195

And we know from the footage here from TJ, which is taken from here looking in that direction at about roughly a 10 degree elevation, that our object is approximately that distance away from TJ.

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00:28:08,195 --> 00:28:10,197

And we figured that was about 2 and a half miles.

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00:28:11,197 --> 00:28:24,205

If the unknown object is 2 and a half miles away at an average of 7 degrees off the horizon and with 1,000 feet between each point of light, then they can estimate its total size.

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00:28:25,206 --> 00:28:29,208

I think 1,500 is a pretty good estimate, plus or minus a couple of feet.

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00:28:29,208 --> 00:28:32,210

It's definitely not the distance from wingtip to wingtip of anything that...

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00:28:32,210 --> 00:28:33,210

Absolutely not.

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00:28:33,210 --> 00:28:39,214

And I don't know any structure that you could fly that could hold lights 1,500 feet apart.

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00:28:39,214 --> 00:28:50,221

To the best of their knowledge, the alleged UFO over Tinley Park is one object several thousand feet in the air and about 1,500 feet from end to end.

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00:28:52,222 --> 00:28:59,226

To put that into reference to something we might know, think of a 747 or the newer A380 aircraft.

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00:28:59,226 --> 00:29:02,228

Those are about 200, 250 feet in wingspan.

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00:29:02,228 --> 00:29:08,231

So we would have to stack up about six of these to get the span that we're seeing from our evidence in this case.

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00:29:08,231 --> 00:29:10,232

And that's just beyond that.

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00:29:10,232 --> 00:29:13,234

That's like 6X the largest aircraft that we have.

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00:29:21,239 --> 00:29:27,243

Based on all of this evidence, the video, the spatial recreation, the estimation of motion, the image processing.

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00:29:28,243 --> 00:29:36,248

I don't know what it is. There's definitely something out there of this 1,500 feet span, but I have no idea what it might be.

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00:29:45,253 --> 00:29:46,254

This could be an elaborate hoax.

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00:29:46,254 --> 00:29:49,256

People say that they were red flares in the sky.

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00:29:49,256 --> 00:29:52,257

I don't think that it was some type of a spacecraft.

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00:29:53,258 --> 00:30:00,262

There just wasn't any evidence to me that it was anything other than three lights that were not connected.

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00:30:02,263 --> 00:30:11,269

Although there's never been an official explanation for the lights over Tinley Park, there are some people who believe that these were nothing more than flares tied to balloons.

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00:30:11,269 --> 00:30:14,271

And it's an interesting theory, one that we have to test.

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00:30:14,271 --> 00:30:15,271

So that's what we're doing here today.

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00:30:15,271 --> 00:30:24,277

We're actually going to set some balloons with flares aloft and see if they look anything like the

Tinley Park footage from 2004.

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00:30:24,277 --> 00:30:39,285

Cleared by local authorities, the test will allow the team to compare the color and intensity of the flares, as well as the way the balloons and flares move in the night sky with the original footage of the lights over Tinley Park.

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00:30:40,286 --> 00:30:49,291

But Ted's analysis proved the lights were connected by something solid, so if this was a hoax, it was rather elaborate.

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00:30:51,293 --> 00:30:58,297

We suspect that there's a frame between the lights, an object between the lights that you can't see in the darkness.

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00:30:58,297 --> 00:31:09,303

So what we're doing to test this out is we're building triangles out of the PVC pipe and attaching flares to the end of those corners.

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00:31:09,303 --> 00:31:17,308

So in effect, we're making our own flying triangles out of flares and balloons. Let's see what they look like compared to the footage we have.

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00:31:18,309 --> 00:31:28,315

As the team unloads their equipment, the weather begins to take a turn for the worse. Much worse.

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00:31:35,319 --> 00:31:43,324

Bill and Pat manage to get the materials for the experiment inside, but the danger is far from over.

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00:31:43,324 --> 00:31:46,325

They don't call this tornado alley by accident.

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00:31:46,325 --> 00:31:53,330

I grew up in California. We just don't have this. I've seen lightning before. I've heard a little bit of thunder.

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00:31:53,330 --> 00:31:56,331

What can I say? Welcome to Illinois.

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00:31:59,333 --> 00:32:04,336

As you can hear, we've got a lot of bad weather coming in.

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00:32:04,336 --> 00:32:10,340

The team is in rural Illinois, in a controlled environment supervised by local authorities.

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In spite of the weather, the team soldiers on, building the PVC frame.

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00:32:16,343 --> 00:32:23,347

Three weather balloons, five feet in diameter, are filled with helium gas and attached to the frame.

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00:32:23,347 --> 00:32:28,350

But it soon becomes apparent that the frame is too heavy for the balloons to lift.

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00:32:29,351 --> 00:32:35,355

The larger we got, the heavier the frame got, and the more impossible it was for the balloons to lift this thing.

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00:32:35,355 --> 00:32:41,358

So it just seems like if they're describing a giant triangle, there's just no way these balloons could lift this thing.

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00:32:41,358 --> 00:32:47,362

It would take possibly hundreds or even thousands of balloons to lift a structure that large.

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00:32:48,362 --> 00:32:53,365

They know from Ted's analysis the object is massive, and the lights are connected.

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00:32:53,365 --> 00:32:56,367

It's unclear how such a hoax could be possible.

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00:32:56,367 --> 00:33:05,372

Still, the team works to get the balloons airborne and in formation in order to compare the flares to the strange lights on the videos.

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00:33:07,374 --> 00:33:11,376

I think the lightning has passed. We may have a window to launch.

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00:33:11,376 --> 00:33:15,378

Sam Moranto and several eyewitnesses from 2004.

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00:33:15,378 --> 00:33:21,382

Bill Dooley and his son Nick and Bob Peterson and his son Tyler arrive for the test.

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00:33:22,383 --> 00:33:32,389

Since they saw the lights with the naked eye originally, they're the best witnesses to tell us, hey, this looks like the lights we saw. This didn't look like the lights we saw.

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00:33:32,389 --> 00:33:40,393

For test purposes, they've also brought the same cameras they filmed the Tinley Park lights with in August of 2004.

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00:33:41,394 --> 00:33:53,401

So what we want to do is maybe use their cameras to take footage of the balloons that we launch and compare them to their footage from 2004. Let's see how it matches up.

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00:33:55,402 --> 00:34:02,406

The three balloons are attached on a line at 15-foot intervals. A flare is then suspended from each balloon.

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00:34:03,407 --> 00:34:05,408

Gentlemen, wire flares.

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00:34:11,412 --> 00:34:13,413

It's not even a launch.

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00:34:13,413 --> 00:34:14,414

One two.

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00:34:14,414 --> 00:34:16,415

Go ahead, Jake.

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00:34:16,415 --> 00:34:36,427

Music

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00:34:36,427 --> 00:34:44,431

While Sam and the team have only seen the video evidence of the Tinley Park lights, Bob, Bill and their sons are eyewitnesses.

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00:34:44,431 --> 00:34:57,439

They know firsthand what the object looked like in 2004, the quality of the colors, the way it held its triangular form and how it moved across the night sky.

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00:35:00,441 --> 00:35:09,446

Now what we saw in the summer of 2004 was much steadier flow of light, not jerking around like they did. The color was bright red like you'd see a light on top of a cell tower.

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00:35:10,447 --> 00:35:13,449

This was more orange, more pink, so no, nothing like it.

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00:35:15,450 --> 00:35:24,455

Bob Peterson's initial impression is that the 2004 lights are a hoax, but this demonstration has given him a new perspective.

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00:35:25,456 --> 00:35:32,460

Based on what I saw tonight, no, I don't think it was a flare. There was just too much that was different about it.

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00:35:33,461 --> 00:35:44,467

He thought they were flares, but now he's looking at flares and he says they did not behave the way the lights behave when he first saw them on August 21st and October 31st.

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00:35:45,468 --> 00:36:05,480

A final meeting with Sam Moranto reveals that the night of the original sighting, August 21st, 2004, may be part of a worldwide UFO flap, and Tinley Park's history of UFO sightings didn't begin in 2004.

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00:36:06,480 --> 00:36:21,489

As you may have already found out and have some indication, this area has been a hotbed for activity. Project Blue Book, the Air Force, actual investigation into UFO phenomena, actually had one of their cases here in Tinley Park.

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00:36:22,490 --> 00:36:23,490

What was the case?

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00:36:23,490 --> 00:36:34,497

The case was two young men seeing an unusual object. They reported it and it was investigated and still remains unknown. And that was in the early 60s.

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00:36:35,498 --> 00:36:39,500

Was there any other activity around the case that we're working with now?

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00:36:39,500 --> 00:36:43,502

I tell you one thing, Pat, we had August a hot month.

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00:36:43,502 --> 00:36:56,510

Objects very similar to what was seen out here was seen on the 18th in Canada. On the 19th we had that object over Minneapolis, St. Paul hovering there for a period of almost nine hours.

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00:36:57,511 --> 00:37:10,518

Then here we go, the 21st in Tinley Park. After that, Houston, Texas. A few hours later into the 23rd, what do we have in Melbourne, Australia? Same thing again.

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00:37:13,520 --> 00:37:17,523

Is it possible that these were all sightings of the same object?

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00:37:17,523 --> 00:37:19,524

What was the date of the Australia sighting?

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00:37:20,524 --> 00:37:25,527

The Australia sighting was on the 23rd, but remember their date line is ahead of us by 16 hours.

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00:37:25,527 --> 00:37:31,531

What are the chances of these lights popping up here in Australia a couple days later?

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00:37:32,532 --> 00:37:42,537

Sam Moranto has uncovered video from Australia that appears to show two of the Tinley Park type objects seen here for the first time.

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00:37:42,537 --> 00:37:44,539

Oh no, my battery's running out.

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00:37:46,540 --> 00:37:56,546

On September 30th, 2005, the same configuration of lights returns to Tinley Park and again is widely seen and taped by the residents.

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00:37:56,546 --> 00:38:08,553

The object appears to be the same one seen in 2004 and yet another sighting occurs barely a month later on October 31st, Halloween, 2005.

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00:38:09,554 --> 00:38:16,558

With all of the evidence gathered for this case, the team waits for Ted to weigh in on the experiment.

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00:38:17,558 --> 00:38:25,563

How will the new footage stand up to the original 2004 video of the mysterious lights over Tinley Park?

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00:38:29,565 --> 00:38:37,570

When I saw those three lights in the footage, nothing came to mind instantly that, hey, oh, that's a commercial airliner, that's a helicopter.

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00:38:37,570 --> 00:38:42,573

I'm very intrigued. There's something unusual there and I hope to get to the bottom of it.

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00:38:44,574 --> 00:38:51,579

Now, with footage in hand, Ted and Terrence are preparing to scrutinize several aspects of Bill and Pat's experiment.

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Even with an absolutely perfectly still, calm atmosphere, you're still going to get this kind of unrelated, random motion to these three points.

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Now, of course, in this case, there was actually some kind of wind and they're just all over the place.

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As Bill and Pat noted in the field, their balloons behaved erratically in the wind in stark contrast to the 2004 footage.

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According to National Weather Service data, on the night of the experiment, winds are clocked at 12 miles per hour.

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In 2004, the winds are more than twice as strong at 30 miles per hour.

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Yet the lights do not exhibit the same erratic behavior as the flares and balloons.

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I mean, I can imagine a tether, like a nylon filament tether, but that would only limit the distance this way, but not this way.

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And we're seeing that they're not kind of bouncing in towards one another and hitting outer limits. They're locked.

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What this seems to reinforce to the team is that the 2004 lights must be locked in place via some form of rigid structure.

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Without this, the lights should exhibit the same volatile behavior as the experiment video.

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The longer it holds that configuration, the stronger and stronger the case that they are actually locked.

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That's a pretty important conclusion.

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It's definitely not three independent floating flares.

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But does this prove that the witnesses in Tinley Park and other locations around the world photographed a flying craft?

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Ted and Terrence also want to contrast the color and light quality of the flares in comparison to the original footage.

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Unfortunately, it's very hard to tell with these consumer-grade cameras.

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The exposure settings and the sensitivity is such that you can shoot dramatically different colored lights,

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and very often you're going to see them basically bloom to almost solid white.

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The biggest difference that's pretty clear to me is the intensity differences.

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The flickering, basically, for lack of a better word, is very evident in the flares.

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Ted and Terrence also look for scintillation, any fluctuation in the quality of the light.

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A constant light source will have less scintillation than a less stable source like the flares.

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To me, it's actually an illuminated source. It's very clear, you know, some kind of light as opposed to some kind of burning combustion,

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which will have its own variability.

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But Terrence brings up another intriguing point of comparison.

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The experiment clearly shows the flares dropping residue, but in the original video from 2004, there is no evidence of any residue.

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I'd love to be able to say that our experiment and our analysis of the evidence leaves us with a very credible explanation.

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This was flares floating on balloons.

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But I can't say that. I think it's extremely unlikely that that is the explanation for what we have here.

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I could say definitively that there's no way that I can see any kind of tethered balloon light source flare or otherwise would be responsible for the footage that we have.

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Without saying it's an alien spacecraft, I can definitively say by the strictest definition it is an unidentified flying object.

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The Tinley Park case is a really interesting case to me. We've got a lot of data. We have a lot of witness testimony.

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We were able to do some extremely quantitative scientific analysis of our evidence to the best of my ability.

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I can't put my finger on an explanation to say, oh, it was something terrestrial.

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All I can say is that I can't explain what it is, and yet is a highly credible corroborated case.

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So there's something there, and I can't explain what it is, and that is very intriguing to me.

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I believe we have a genuine anomalous aerial event that occurred over Tinley Park in 2004.

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Some people say it was a hoax, but we have no evidence that it was a hoax.

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Now I know in other UFO cases, pilots, both military and civilian, have come across these orbs of light, and that could be what we're dealing with here.

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So in my opinion, this case is still open.

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You have to ask yourself, are these people seeing the same object in the sky?

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Is this a worldwide UFO phenomenon, or is this a worldwide UFO hoax?

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Both scientific and subjective testimony suggests that the object was not flares attached to weather balloons.

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Video analysis reveals something of massive size.

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Does the Tinley Park mass sighting and the mountain of visual evidence around it provide a glimpse of an actual UFO?

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Or are the answers still floating somewhere in the skies above Tinley Park?