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Skywatch Board Member Defends Col. Wilson

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Dear Fellow Skywatch Members and Other Interested Parties:

I visited the UFOmind site and find it meets the needs of many persons involved in the UFO field. What bothers me, is that some of it has become a means for cowards to slander others, namely Colonel S. Wilson. I wrote a letter to the UFOmind site (www.ufomind.com) and hope they post it. My letter follows:

I think your site is an extremely valuable site, except that part of it seems to have become a sounding board where some persons can attempt the destruction of another's character without being held accountable for their vicious actions. I think that calling others liars, nazis, wayward shrinks, and being personally insulting, is just a wee bit below the normal proper levels of behavior. It violates the rules of successful mediation. Heck, I'll even say it sounds like children. I think actions by certain parties that are trying to destroy other ufo groups is rooted in prehaps their desires (hidden agenda)to make themselves the all powerful ufo guru, maybe to keep their little following, or maybe even an attempt to keep a cash flow headed towards their greedy little coffers. If some of these people, like the ones who go around speaking negatively about Colonel Wilson (or other persons/groups), had the skeltons in their closets rattled, I bet they would yell, "Foul!" I would like my comments here posted on your site. I want those gutless cowards who spend their time trying to destroy others (not just the Colonel), to know that we who visit the UFOmind site are not idiots. We know those accusatory persons must have some problem in their lives that they are not correctly dealing with. Instead of finding the problem within where it lies, they are striking out making another the brunt of their anger. If some of those poor mislead souls would spend just a portion of their time helping those who are in need, humanity would move up a notch don't you think? Why do some people, and you know who you are, spend so much of your time trying to destroy? Why do you not try to build? The power from accomplishment is much greater then that which comes from destruction. I hope that my comments are not a waste of time and that someone learns from this. I have spoken to the Colonel by phone, mail, email, and I am one of the few people who have met the Colonel in person. People are excited when

they find we met and ask me questions. I will answer some of them here. When we first met, it was at a crowded restaurant. I walked in, looked at all the people. I walked up to a man and said, "You must be Colonel Wilson." (Amazing how I was able to do that huh?) Yes, he appeared ex-military, however, there are those I thought were military that were not. We sit for hours, drank coffee, and discussed many things. He was like many of the other "legends" in the ufo community, part truth, part fiction, but still amazing. He told me he had cancer and had a certain amount of time to live. I carried that time with me, as I felt that if persons knew the short time, they would become unsettled. Maybe I should have told them, but then again, maybe it was up to him to tell who his wished to know. He told me he wanted to help Skywatch International get started, but that he wanted it to be managed without him. He wanted Skywatch International (SI) to be a ufo group that was willing to share information and work with other groups. He wanted the organization to be honest and fair in their dealings. Did the Colonel and I talk of many things? Yes we did. Why did he open up to me? I do not know. I do know that something about me causes people to believe they can confide in me. At times it is a blessing, and sometimes like a curse. I believe many of the things the Colonel related to me. Now when he took on this certain look, got a twinkle in his eye, and smiled this smile, I knew the baloney was about to start. He then said some things which I believed we both knew, the other knew, was bull. Just a little fun between us as we bonded. How much of the Colonel is baloney? Some of it I am sure. But I really don't need anyone to come around cutting him down. We all have our heroes, but if I were to tell you negative things I knew about George Washington, Ambraham Lincoln, John F. Kennedy, Elvis Presley, Ricky Nelson, John Wayne, Evel Knievel, George Custer, or another certain hero of yours, what do I accomplish? I rather tell you the good things that your hero did. I would like to see us raise ourselves above the bickering, deceit, power plays, and destructive behavior, to that of understanding, caring, and helping each other. What ever you may think of the Colonel, what he started is grand. You will not destroy it. (END)

Thank each and everyone of you for taking the time to read this letter. There are those of us at Skywatch International that are working on making this an organization that we all can be very proud of. But we cannot do it alone. We must al work together and be supportive.

SI now has two addresses. One for membership and the other for adminstrative fuctions. We will be having an SI web page. The former SI page is now "The Colonel's Page." As you can see, we have a new email address for posting letters.

There have been a few problems getting the mail out, but we are working on it.

If you are not a member, and are interested in helping to support all that we are trying to do her, email me at; pappie@ix.netcom.com and I will USPS or email you an application for membership. It will soon be available off of my "always under construction" web page located at www.freeyellow/members/pappie/index.html

All the work is done by volunteers, but it does take funds to operate the organization. As soon as our tax exempt status is approved as a non-profit corporation we will let you know! But you can join now and become a part of a new beginning of a new age in ufo groups. Fairness, honesty, and working together with a common goal.

Sincerely,

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