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Re: The Oliver's Castle Controversy - Exposed?

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> >To: reaw@dnet.net
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> Mark, thank you very much for this report which
> includes the statement by Lee Winterson.<S>

> These hoaxes strongly destroy the credibility
> of ufology. It is frustrating that events such
> as this take place when so many well intentioned
> and honest folks put a great deal of their time and
> money into discovering the truth.

> Reputations are constantly being built but easily
> destroyed in an instant. Always resulting in
> some degree of permanent loss.

> Regards,

> Greg McDavitt - Sysop
> Project: Watchfire

Hello Greg,

Do hoaxes really destroy the credibility of ufology? I see the other side to this, that due to the importance and the reality of most crop circles, and their obvious connection to the UFO phenomenon, certain authorities who feel threatened by the UFO reality have taken action to try to discredit crop circles by engaging a few individuals of like mind to the task of hoaxing.

If there weren't some such hoaxes, it would mean that authorities didn't feel threatened and/or that no such authority figures believe in flouting the truth in order to try to preserve the status quo.

Why then would such authorities think that such a policy would work? Apparently because they think that most people can be made to believe that if one object of a kind can be shown to be a hoax, then all such objects are hoaxes. So far, with the aid of the news media and the curtain of ridicule that has existed for so long around the UFO phenomenon, such authorities have held the upper hand. It's up to us, as far as possible, to prevent them from continuing to be successful at this ploy.

Jim Deardorff

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