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Re: Question for Kevin Randle

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> Until we realize that today's interpretation as "alien abduction"
> is most likely no closer to the truth than stories of fairies,
> elves, demons, etc., it is unlikely we will make much progress in
> getting at what is really going on.

That's right, yeah boy, I think they're all crazy and deluded, too - probably all have a great inner yearning to be called crazy, lose friends, be hassled by black helicopters (they follow the fairies, you know), be called liars, have horrible nightmares, and be filled with the pop-culture disease of extreme angst - you see, this way the "alleged abductees" can get some attention. Since they can't sing, dance, or act, this is their only avenue for dubious fame - if they state that they themselves doubt what happened, it creates even more public interest. It's soooooo pitiful, the poor deluded buggers. They probably share that little instrument that makes scoop marks and pass the punch biopsy tool around through "Abductees Anonymous" to bolster the element of doubt. And everyone knows that surgical scars that appear overnight are definitely caused by the power of the hysterical mind.

NOT!

> There are two factors which need to be studied: the way the human
> brain processes particular information, and the external experience
> which causes this particular interpretation of information. Not much
> attention is being paid to either by current abduction researchers.

These two factors, as it happens, are the central concerns of therapists. In fact, some, John Mack for instance, started as extreme skeptics looking for hidden sexual abuse or other garden variety traumas masquerading as abduction. A friend of mine is a local shrink, very low-key and conservative fellow. He's had six cases of abduction, and told me that however incredible it may appear, he is convinced that the patients are indeed telling the truth. After 30 years of experience, he is an expert at evaluating the disguises of a human's mental and emotional nature. He cut his teeth on child abuse cases, has 100s of

prior patients as his control information, and according to him, the abduction cases are clearly "something else." I think you can look at his primary yardstick of measurement as the bellweather of authenticity of the human emotional response to experiences that cause of shock and terror. The experiences are very, very intense, highly visceral, and as my friend would say, "The body doesn't lie."

Perhaps you cannot evaluate this area of human experience very effectively, so it seems to you as if no one is pursuing these paths of discovery. You are insufficiently informed. If you totally discount this avenue of research and method of learning, then you are both uninformed and have also missed the train.

Melanie

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