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Re: 'Doorway Amnesia' & Modern Day Abductees?

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>Date: Wed, 25 Aug 1999 05:45:01 -0500
>From: Amy Hebert <velorose@swbell.net>
>Subject: Re: 'Doorway Amnesia' & Modern Day Abductees?
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>>Date: Tue, 24 Aug 1999 03:00:12 -0400
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalseve.net>
>>From: John Velez<jvif@spacelab.net>
>>Subject: Re: 'Doorway Amnesia' & Modern Day Abductees?

>>I would hope that researchers who ignore testimony in favor of
>>their own beliefs/biases are in the extreme minority. The
>>"abduction researchers" (which is a misnomer, most of them are
>>investigative authors/reporters) that I have met are men who are
>>reporting on what they have been told by the experiencers.

Hi Amy,

You responded:

>You are certainly right about the differences between abduction
>researchers and investigative authors/reporters. Those who
>_research_ abductions do so to gather information to gain a
>clearer perspective of the phenomenon while investigative
>authors/reporters may only seek material for their next article
>or book. Sometimes researchers become authors/reporters and
>authors/reporters become researchers. It's gotten hard, lately,
>to tell the difference.

Semantics Amy. I think we need to define terms. (For me) a
"researcher" is a highly trained and independant (in terms of
belief one way or the other) professional. Preferably someone
trained in the sciences with the credentials and expertise to
back up his/her findings.

In my book if they don't fit that definition then they are
"authors" or investigative reporters and nothing more.

>Unfortunately, John, as a counselor I have seen the down side of
>the low standards and unethical practices used by many so-called
>"researchers". I've seen what happens to the abductees when they
>have had encounters of the worst kind - with attention greedy
>investigators/authors/self-professed researchers. I don't know
>if these types of "researchers" are common but I do know they
>are much more prevelant than most people realize. I've known
>many...some were/are my dearest friends.

Again a case of 'semantics.' What you call a "researcher" (if

they conduct themselves as you describe above) is nothing more than an oportunist or charlatan. The title "researcher" should be held in reserve for those who have dedicated a lifetime to study and work in their chosen field. And preferably someone with a Ph.D in their chosen discipline.

>Without established guidelines and formal, ethical standards of
>practice, it's become a free-for-all where everyone from the
>quack down the street to doctors, scientists and college
>professors are sharing the same lecture podiums, the same pens
>at books signings and often appear side-by-side on TV specials.

I agree. When I first arrived on the public scene some six years ago ufology was in a sad state. It has only worsened with time. You can count the number of serious/qualified people that are involved without having to take your shoes off! :)

>Unfortunately, from my experiences, I *have* noted bias and
>self-promotion in many "researchers/investigators" rather than a
>serious emphasis on research and careful investigation. There is
>bias in all research. I think rather than deny the existence of
>this trend, we need to bring it into clearer focus and evaluate
>the symptoms, causes and solutions.

Charlatans. As*holes with a personal agenda.

>>2. The only recollection that I have of an access door came up
>>during a hypnosis session. (Material that I do not recall
>>consciously and clearly, I have a tendency not to trust or put
>>much stock in.)

>You are very wise, John. ;>

50 years of living has a way of either 'wisening you up' or killing you off quickly!

Johnny Winter wrote:

"Every now and then I know it's kinda hard to tell, but I'm still alive and well!" <VBG>

Keep fighting the good fight and let the 'Lords of Karma' take care of the clowns. It's all any of us can do.

Regards,

John Velez

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