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From the State Director

In the May/June issue, I reviewed three old close encounter cases that involved the presence of aliens. One of these was from a Duluth newspaper and told the story of a craft resting on the water near Steep Rock, Ontario. I had been mesmerized by this story as a youngster!

We received a letter from Jerome Clark informing us that this case was a hoax that was written for the Steep Rock Echo simply to entertain readers! I want to thank Mr. Clark for his clarification on this. He referred us to an article in the APRO BULLETIN of November, 1977. The article appears in this issue of MINNESOTA MUFON.

I will be driving back from Richmond, VA during the week of July 4. Our excursions are uncertain, so I took the liberty to schedule the July meeting on the 17th — we'll definitely be home by that time.

The MUFON Symposium in Richmond looks to be a winner. There will be sessions on abductions in Africa, a medical case, video analysis, the disappearance of the jets in Puerto Rico, and an update on the Linda Cortile case. I'll take notes, but some of the symposium videos should be fun to watch later.

There were tentative plans to go to Duluth in August to do an informational meeting at a library. However, since receiving a letter from a woman in Bemidji expressing the desire for a MUFON group in that area, I'm more interested in heading in that direction. At one time, there was a radio talk show host in the Bemidji area who was very knowledgeable about UFOs. When I return in July, I'll see if I can contact him. He may have some suggestions.

Have a safe Fourth of July! I hope to see all of you on Saturday, July 17th.

Richard Moss
State Director

MINNESOTA MUFON Meetings

Saturday, July 17, 1993*

The Irish Well

(Conference Center)

1975 University Ave. (at Prior) St. Paul

Social: 1:00 – 1:30 p.m.

Meeting: 1:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Tentatively Scheduled:
Martin Keller/ Jesse Taylor
for CSETI

And

Saturday, August 7, 1993

The Irish Well

(Conference Center)

Social: 1:00 – 1:30 p.m.

Meeting: 1:30 – 5:30 p.m.

*3rd Saturday of July

1950 Steep Rock Lake, Ontario Case Possible Hoax

Investigations by Robert Badgley, Field Investigator of Ontario, Canada, have been conducted to ascertain the status of this well publicized story. It involved a couple who went to an isolated cove at Steep Rock Lake in northern Ontario for a picnic. There they witnessed a spaceship with numerous occupants.

The story was originally published in the Steep Rock Lake Echo. This publication has not been in operation for many years. Mr. Badgley researched the Northern Miners Press for information and leads on the case. This work turned up the name of Mr. Hancock of the Steep Rock Iron Mines Ltd. of Atikoken, Ontario. Correspondence directed to the Steep Rock Iron Mines brought response from Mr. Beryl Labossieu who retired from Steep Rock Mines in 1974. His letter revealed the following facts:

The Men From Space article appeared in the *Steep Rock Echo* in 1950. The author was Gordon Edward who is now retired and living in Vancouver. Mr. Labossieu writes "that the story was entirely fictitious and written solely for the amusement of our somewhat isolated community. It was picked up by an American magazine at the time with resultant publicity. Again in 1967, it

was revived when a certain Frank Edwards published a book on UFOs and included this story in the book. Over the years the mine has received countless letters on the subject. It was certainly a well written article, as it has fooled a great number of people for many years."

The A.P.R.O. BULLETIN
November 1977



The Story of Em

by William McNeff

To recap the events as explained in the March/April issue of Minnesota MUFON, in March of 1990, at approximately 3:00 a.m., Emm saw a strange craft near her farm home. The small craft moved away from the house and disappeared into a "mother ship." After some zig-zag maneuvers, the mother ship left, turning colors from yellow to intense blue as it did so. During the sightings, Emm felt "heavy", and her heart and lungs felt as if they were "ready to pop."

Some after effects made themselves known during the days following the sightings. Emm found herself pacing the floor constantly. The two German Shepherds, one normally very gentle, and the other well trained to herd cows, were also affected. The gentle Shepherd no longer obeyed commands, would walk under a cow being milked (not the "done thing!") and then lie down beside Emm while she was milking. Even now, each time Emm walks outside, the dog refuses to leave her side. The other Shepherd also acted erratically.

Mark Anderson, then the MUFON Section Director for Ottertail County, heard of her experience, came to her home and interviewed her and Emm filled out the official report. Anderson put us in touch with Emm, and bit by bit, she told of many strange incidents sprinkled throughout her life, and continuing even to this day.

Some time before 1979, Emm and her husband accompanied her in-laws to Mayo Clinic where her mother-in-law was scheduled to have surgery that Wednesday. On the Sunday following the surgery, Emm and her husband stopped in Farmington on the way back to their

home. Some time between 10:45 p.m. and 5:30 a.m., they lost 1.5 hours of time. When discussing the event later, they agreed they'd seen what they took to be a truck coming up behind them as they drove along the highway. But it didn't look "right", and as it approached, only one headlight was seen. Then a blue light filled the car; Emm remembers their skin

looked blue, her husband seemed "transfixed", and she could no longer hear the sound of their tires on the pavement. (*The implication here is that the car had been lifted into the air.*) Emm climbed into the back seat and checked the pulse and breathing of their three sleeping children. All was apparently well. Then, through the rear car window, Emm saw an open doorway. In the doorway, a figure — an extraterrestrial creature — appeared. Emm estimates the creature was about five and one-half feet tall. Said Emm, "I saw this and yet I didn't see — I didn't want to see!" She climbed back into the front seat, then felt a *force* which she tried to resist, but it turned her around backwards in the seat and she found herself sitting on her heels "like a kid!" Looking at the ET, she "heard" a message.

"I'm here. Do not be afraid, everything is all right. I'm your friend."

Em felt a strong sense of "altruistic love," and she replied, "All right, you're there." Then the ET gave what Emm describes as a "salute" — he placed his fist on his stomach, with the thumb turned toward her, and made a formal bow. Emm, who is very familiar with the Finnish culture, explains that this is a salute given by one Finland army commander to another and is called a "*koonish*" in the Finnish language. Next, the ET made a gesture of dismissal, and the car floated back down to the highway. [Emm believes that additional events transpired between the salute and dismissal which she cannot consciously remember. This agrees with documented accounts of other abductees, who typically remember only a small part of their experiences unless they are hypnotized.]

Emm's husband, whom she divorced in 1979, never remembered any of the happening. She has been married to her present husband for 12 years, and has seen what she believes to have been spaceships on 17 different occasions.

In May of 1991, while driving to Detroit Lakes with her friend, Esther, she noticed that the tires felt strange, and indeed, upon checking, *two* were very low. Emm took the exit to a small town and after

driving a couple of blocks on now flat tires, she found a Deep Rock station. She had two new tires put on the car and, since Emm and Esther knew it would take another 45 minutes to reach Detroit Lakes, they decided to take a lunch break at a local pizza parlor.

There were about a dozen people in the restaurant. They sat down, ordered, and a few minutes later, the door opened and in walked a man wearing a baseball cap, blue jeans and engineer boots, followed by two other strange looking "people." They were about four and one-half feet tall, had high, wide foreheads, almost white hair, and moved in unison. They appeared to be a male and a female. The female had tiny breasts and was so slender she "looked starved." Their hair stuck straight out! They wore chambray shirts, blue jeans and tennis shoes. The "leader" in the baseball cap walked to the counter and ordered three malted milks. To get her attention, Emm gave Esther a little kick and in Finnish said, "Look at those strange people!" The leader gave her "a look that would kill," paid for the malts and the three left the restaurant. The other customers didn't seem to notice the strange trio, but the cashier seemed to back away from the leader when he paid the bill.

Emm said she talked with Esther much later and asked her if she ever thought about the incident. "Yes," was the reply, "and sometimes it keeps me awake at night."

Those of us who have gotten to know Emm find her to be a reliable, sincere individual. I personally find her experiences to be fascinating, with some very interesting implications.

Bill McNeff



The Ultimate UFO Seminar: Excuse me?

Well, that's how it was billed when the Joe and Pat Travis, owners of the Little Ale-Inn at Rachel, NV, came up with the idea of a benefit conference after receiving a hefty increase of 80% on their electricity bill! And what better place for a UFO seminar than this infamous bar/cafe located only 50 miles from Groom Lake, the hush-hush military installation where H-PACs — Human-Piloted Alien Craft — are said to be (occasionally) seen.

UFO JOURNAL Editor, Dennis Stacy, gave an excellent, in-depth account of the seminar and happenings in the June issue (*Copyright 1993 by the Mutual UFO Network, 103 Oldtowne Rd, Sequin, Texas 78155*).

Despite the dirt and discomfort associated with a seminar stuck in the middle of nowhere, Stacy seemed pleased with the efforts of the Travis', the

food, the casual atmosphere (not a three-piece suit in sight) and says the Ale-Inn has probably the "best little UFO library in the state of Nevada."

Stacy was less enthusiastic about the speakers. Keynoter John Lear, it seems, delivered a standard message in almost a monotone voice. Following Lear was someone introduced as "Captain Eric" who gave an interesting talk about the likelihood and whereabouts of an underground UFO base purported to be on the Navaho Indian Reservation in New Mexico. [Saucers are said to fly in and out of a particular peak via a hangar door in a limestone ledge.] Scheduled speakers George Knapp, former anchorman at CBS affiliate KLAS-TV, Las Vegas and journalist Tony Pelham, canceled "at the last minute", according to Stacy. Actually, we in Minnesota were aware some days before the seminar that Knapp backed out — and there is even speculation as to whether he was actually scheduled in the first place.

The appearance of Bob Lazar caused immediate excitement. His manner was low key (there are rumors of a pending movie of "The Bob Lazar Story") and he began speaking by saying "I don't really have anything prepared so maybe if you just want to ask questions, that might be the way to go!" (MINNESOTA MUFON friend, Bob Seath, brought back audio tapes of the questions and answers that followed, and copies *might* be available.)

For those of you not familiar with Bob Lazar, he purportedly has a master's degree in physics from MIT and shortly after graduation, went to work for the Los Alamos Laboratory in New Mexico. A few years later, he says he was hired to help in the reverse engineering of nine alien saucers hidden near Groom Lake, AKA "Dreamland", encompassed within the Nellis Air Force Range/Nevada Testing Site. He was only on the job six or seven days, but to quote Dennis Stacy, long enough to give "rise to gushing fountains of unsubstantiated allegations about H-PACs, gravity waves, anti-matter generators and alien interventions on this planet dating back at least to the time of Christ..."

We're given to understand that Lazar disappointed the crowd of (less than) 200 with his answer to comment about the darting lights shown on a video taken by one of the space shuttle missions. He stated that he thought the images are those of "dust particles close to the camera lens." Stacy said the audience seemed "openly skeptical!"

Bob Seath felt the seminar was certainly worthwhile. But Stacy's account made it seem less satisfactory. We suggest you read the UFO JOURNAL yourself for a more in-depth review. *What?* You don't receive the Journal?

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MUFON, 103 Oldtown Rd, Sequin, TX 78155.

□ "Please don't make fun of us. We're taking a serious, scientific approach to this."

Anonymous woman at the UFO seminar

She confided that short, gray aliens abduct her on a regular basis and once stole her ovum to breed a hybrid child. She maintained that she was shown the half alien child when it was five years old. Furthermore, sometimes unmarked black helicopters follow her around her Southern California home. But, did she *really* think the reporter for the *Los Angeles Times* would pass up an opportunity to make sport of a bunch of UFO nuts gathered together in dusty little Nevada town hoping to get a peek at a few flying saucers, or at least, a black helicopter or two? *Fat chance.*

Reporter Roy Rivenburg couldn't help but poke a little fun in his article about the recent UFO Seminar in Rachel. For instance, he reported that some "UFOlogists" at the seminar link aliens with Adolf Hitler, the JFK assassination and AIDS. The tie-in with JFK was explained by the retelling of President Eisenhower's meeting with extraterrestrials in 1954. They played "Let's Make a Deal" — the aliens handed over a few saucers in return for "grazing rights," allowing aliens the freedom to periodically abduct and experiment on humans and cattle. When President Kennedy threatened to expose the deal, he was assassinated. The gunman, according to Researcher John Lear, was Kennedy's limo driver. Since that time, presidents are told that the military is working with aliens in Nevada, "but that's all you need to know." (Okay, remove tongue from cheek.)

Rivenburg also related that ALE-IN owners Joe and Pat Travis are convinced that among their many interested tourists, a few ET's wander in now and then. One human-looking alien plunked himself (itself?) down near the inn's four slot machines for an entire day without eating, drinking, or even taking a trip to the WC!

By the end of the two-day seminar, Rivenburg said that the tale told by the lady who begged him to not poke fun actually hard to dismiss... because "it was one of the sanest stories told."

We can poke a little fun at ourselves now and then, but unlike Rivenburg, we understand the serious side to this business of UFOs — serious, and sometimes, downright tragic. Many of us are convinced we are abductees, or know someone who is; some lives have been drastically changed because of what is believed to be alien intervention. And if we *risk* bringing up the subject of UFOs to someone unaware of our connection to MUFON or other UFO interest groups, we sometimes hear a new, *old* story. They relate having seen strange lights, spacecraft or alien beings. And often, the story becomes more involved, more frightening.

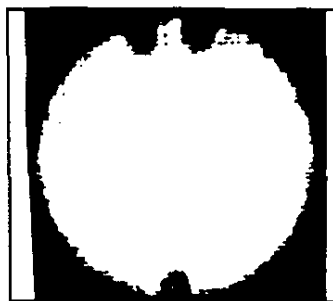
It should happen to Rivenburg...!

He's a believer!

TIMES-JOURNAL Staff Writer Steven Stiefel was a skeptic of all UFO sightings. Then, in late February of this year, he became an eye witness to one of the many sightings happening in and around DeKalb County, Alabama.

Responding to a call from someone who said he was looking at an object in the night sky, Stiefel jumped in his car to have a look for himself. He figured the Air Force was probably testing a new plane, and the pilots were having a little fun with the civilians! When he saw a trooper's flashing lights come on ahead of him, he knew he was headed in the right direction. He drove around the Collinsville area for some time and saw airplanes and a bright light which he thought might be Mars, but no UFO. But then he took another look at the bright light. It was brighter than any of the hundreds of stars twinkling in the sky than night. And then he noticed several airplanes moving toward the light.

Something passed overhead. He caught a glimpse of the outline delineated by lights beneath, indicating diamond shape. It made no noise, but just glided over the highway and disappeared over a ridge. Then, in the distance, Stiefel saw it circle back again. But this time, two objects emerged from the top of the mountain. The one in the rear was definitely an airplane — the lights were different and he could hear the engine. After a couple of hours, Stiefel returned home — irked at himself — he'd forgotten his camera!



Sizzlin' Saucers! A fat Batman!

A video taken by Fort Payne, AL resident Susan Eads depicted the DeKalb UFO as "a fat Batman emblem" has been reclassified as yet another filmed

(DeKalb) light that is extremely bright and behaves like no known craft. Sgt. Ron Ogletree, commander of Alabama State Trooper Post E says the film... took on the shape of the Batman emblem because of the shape of the shutter of the zoom lens on the camcorder. "This was discovered after we had an expert look at the film; and also after Ms. Eads took other films of known lights, such as street lights. The produced the same shape," he explained.

The photograph above was taken by Betty McBryar of Fort Payne and also contains a similar distortion due to the lens. The object was said to look like a bright star.,

Article and photo excerpts taken from *The TIMES-JOURNAL, Fort Payne, AL — Feb. 23, 1993* with thanks to *The UFO Enigma — June 1993*

Hypnotherapist Gary Dallek visits MINNESOTA MUFON

It was a clear departure from most MUFON meetings, to be sure, but certainly, an exciting one. After being introduced, Gary Dallek took several minutes to explain how hypnotherapy is used to release self limiting beliefs and allow positive healthy ideas to emerge as new behavior, positive emotions, physical well being and spiritual enhancement. That afternoon, however, the subject was Past Life Regression, and an eager volunteer allowed herself to be hypnotized in an effort to glimpse one of her own possible past lives.

Lorraine (not her real name) was a little concerned that she might be a tough subject to hypnotize. But before long, Dallek's gentle voice soothed her to a place of complete relaxation, and the session began. Dallek suggested Lorraine use a motor response to answer "Yes" or "No" to questions as they went along — the right index finger would signify a positive response, the left pinkie, a negative answer.

When she was apparently deep enough into a hypnotic state, Dallek began asking her about things she could see. "Light — a blue-violet light," Lorraine answered. Dallek called upon the light to surround and protect her. He asked her to look down at her feet. Lorraine said she had small feet and they were "uncovered." Dallek then asked Lorraine tell him about her hands. She saw her fingers as being long and slender — and there were only *three fingers on each hand*. When he asked how many toes she had, she answered "five." She then described herself as having a large head and eyes and skin that was "grayish" and "fragile." She was a male.

At one point, when looking down, Lorraine said she saw "black"... later she noticed lights "all around" [when the session was over, Lorraine said it reminded her of being in a "boardroom"].

She said others were near her... "Others the same as me." Then she felt sadness... separation... an ending.

Dallek continued the session and Lorraine began "remembering" another life and coming "down to Planet Earth." [We understood that she was referring to the present.] She was obviously in some distress: "All the pain — so hard to help," she said.

She now saw herself as having five fingers on each hand. When Dallek asked *how large she was* when she was when she came, she answered that she was small.

"Were you outside of your mom?"

"Yes."

"Are you one and the same as this person?"

"Yes."

Further questioning made it apparent that an entity was sharing Lorraine's space... presumably to "help" but Dallek explained to the entity that Lorraine didn't need its help, and asked if it to "leave the body and go to the light." It clearly did not want to do this, so Dallek then suggested to Lorraine that she have a private communication with the entity and say "Good-bye." She placed her hands over her face and there seemed to be a slight struggle going on. But in a few moments, Lorraine's face took on a more relaxed appearance, and the entity was gone.

Apologies for this sketchy report, but you know what they say, *you had to be there!* We understand there may be a chance Gary Dallek will visit us again sometime this winter — we certainly hope so.



"Dogfight" with police helicopter

February 26, 1993, 11:50 p.m., Louisville, KY
Classified as a CE-1, 4 witnesses...

*Filed by KY State Director/ F.I. Glen Rutherford
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Two Jefferson County air unit police officers, described by their lieutenant as "solid guys," swear they had a two-minute dogfight with a UFO during a routine helicopter patrol the night of Feb. 26, 1993.

The UFO, a glowing pear-shaped object about the size of a basketball, literally flew circles around the helicopter, even though the men said they were moving at speeds approaching 100 mph. In one blinding moment when the helicopter and the UFO were hurtling toward each other, the UFO shot three baseball-sized fireballs out of its middle. The fireballs fizzled into nothing.

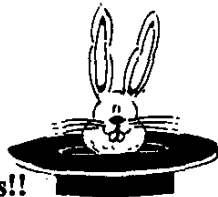
The night started out like every other. Officers Kenny Graham and Kenny Downs went to work about 6 p.m. and were soon in the air flying a routine patrol. Graham, 39, and an 11-year veteran on the force, was the pilot. Downs, 39 and a five-year veteran, was the spotter. While in the air, they received a call about a possible break-in nearby. They reached the area around 11:50 p.m. As they circled, Graham saw something that looked like a small fire off to his left. Downs shined his 1.5 million-candlepower spotlight on the object, which began to drift back and forth like a balloon as the light washed over it. Then it gradually floated up to the helicopter's elevation, about 500 feet, where it hovered for a few seconds. "Then it took off at a speed I've never seen before," The object made two huge counter-clockwise loops and finally approached the helicopter's rear. Graham, afraid the object would ram the tail rotor, pushed his speed above 100

mpr. The UFO shot past them and instantly climbed hundreds of feet. It then descended and flew close to the helicopter again. Graham tried to close the gap with the object, and it again flew away. As the UFO approached on a parallel course, the three fireballs burst out of its core. Scared for their safety, Graham banked away from the object. When he turned the helicopter around again, it was gone.

The two officers returned to their base, and Graham called the control tower at Standiford Field to ask if their radar had picked up anything unusual. It had not. When checking with the National Weather Service, they hadn't a clue. At the UFO Filter Center at Mt. Vernon, Indiana, sightings were beginning to be reported even before the aerial encounter — two close encounters from Connersville, IN (one, a possible abduction), the report of a strange triangle and a mystery helicopter at New Harmony, IN, plus a report to the UFO hotline of a UFO spotted in Morgan, Arkansas.

The occurrence was witnessed by two other policemen, Mike Smith, in his squad car below, said he saw the object for only a minute. But he confirmed the UFO shot three fireballs into the air and then disappeared. Officer Joe Smolenski said he tried for more than a minute to catch up to the object in his squad car. "I've been looking for them for 14 years," he said, "and I guess this is the closest I've come to something I couldn't explain."

Kenny Graham and Kenny Downs don't talk much about their experience — they're sure few will really believe them. "We both go to church every Sunday," Downs said as a way of explaining how normal they are. "In fact," he added, "I might start going to church *twice* a week!"



Bubba won't spill the beans!!

The July 1, 1993 issue of the *Wall Street Journal* published an article written by Staff Reporter Rachel Kessler regarding the protesters who marched on the White House Monday, July 5. Who and why?

Members of Operation Right to Know want the president to acknowledge that unidentified flying objects exist and to release government data documenting sightings. "It used to be that the UFO community was afraid of ridicule, and we were staying home. Now we're not staying home," said Elaine Douglass, a spokeswoman for the group, which has offices in Washington, Georgia and California.

"Our main goal is to end UFO secrecy," said Donald Ratsch, an organizer at Operation Right to

Know, which has about 150 subscribers to its newsletter. "This is a demonstration to end disinformation regarding government contact with other worlds.

The group claims that the U.S. government has had information documenting the existence of visitors from outer space since 1947. In a press release, the group contends that people claiming to have seen UFOs are everywhere.

About a half-dozen members of the group warmed up for the White House march with a protest on June 30 outside offices of the Washington Post, charging that the paper's top editors and intelligence reporters wouldn't read their materials. Some carried signs saying "The Post has a flat Earth mindset on UFOs." But Washington Post Managing Editor Robert Kaiser says he did indeed read some of the material, adding that some of it was "provocative" and that the Post is "checking it out."

Various federal agencies have looked into UFOs over the years. But, says David D. Wippel, executive director of the Association of Former Intelligence Officer, "I see no reason why the government would withhold information, if there were any information"

Members of Operation Right to Know sent a letter to President Clinton, asking him to meet with the group and to disclose what he knows about UFOs. Ms. Douglas says the president did respond with a form letter saying he will take the group's ideas into consideration and keep them close to his heart. (Ed.: Oh, give me a break...)

Mr. Clinton declined to attend a meeting.

Digging up the past: Soviet plane vs. UFO made the front page... in 1985!

Obviously, the story didn't appear in the *Washington Post*, but it certainly did make a good splash in the *Star-Bulletin*, Honolulu Hawaii, on Wednesday, January 30, 1985.

Reported was the now well-known incident when pilots and passengers aboard a Soviet airliner reported a star-line UFO which illuminated the ground with a dazzling beam and escorted them to their destination. The story was picked up from the newspaper *Trud* which quoted a Soviet scientist who specializes in unusual phenomena, including unidentified flying objects. He stated the occurrence was "undoubtedly abnormal."

As the plane was approaching Minsk, "what appeared to be a large, unblinking star suddenly shed a think ray of light which fell plumb down on the ground" from an altitude of 25 to 30 miles, the newspaper said. "Ground control at the time registered splashes on its screens in the same part of air space." The date of the flight was not given.



All four crew members reported that they "could see distinctly everything down in the sector of the ground illuminated by the cone-shaped shaft of light — the houses and the roads," Trud said. Then the ray suddenly focused on the plane.

The UFO reportedly zoomed toward the airliner leaving a green cloud in its wake. It positioned itself beside the plane at an altitude of 33,000 feet and accompanied it for the rest of the flight "like an honorary escort," said the pilot.

Nikolai Zheitukhin, a corresponding member of the (then) Soviet Academy of Sciences and deputy chairman of a state commission on unexplained phenomena, told Trud the occurrence "is indeed of interest although the commission already knows of similar cases.



In California, support groups share UFO encounters

Reprinted here is an article written by *Los Angeles Times* reporter, Miles Corwin, was printed in the *Minneapolis Star Tribune* on June 7, 1993.

What do you do if you are abducted in your sleep by a group of scrawny gray aliens with enormous heads, beamed up to a spacecraft, placed upon an examination table, probed with enormous needles and lasers, and then returned to your bed?

If you live in Southern California, you form a support group and share the experience. But the thorny questions posed at these sessions are far more complex than those discussed at your run-of-the-mill self-help groups.

How do you determine, one man asked at a recent meeting near Los Angeles, whether you have been abducted by aliens, abducted by the CIA or were merely dreaming? When the aliens implant a tracking device in your body, how do you get it out? After you've been abducted, what do you tell your employer when you show up late for work?

If you are concerned about something such as abduction security, you cannot simply approach your Neighborhood Watch captain for advice. And your family doctor might be reluctant to explore the "scoop marks" left by aliens seeking tissue samples. So abductees from throughout Southern California meet on the last Sunday of every month and discuss these common problems, buck each other up and relate abduction adventures.

One member says she used to feel alone, keeping her feelings bottled up inside. But now that she's met others like herself, she is open and forthcoming about her abduction experiences. Although this has done wonders for her emotional health, it has been tough on her social life. Her boyfriend of five years

recently dumped her saying "When you get through with this UFO business, give me a call."

The member, a still photographer employed by the movie industry, said many of her abductions follow a similar pattern. She is transported by grays to their spacecraft and placed on a table, where the aliens surround her and study her emotions, her sexuality, her DNA makeup and her hand-eye coordination. She is returned home after about two hours.

She has become something of an abduction activist. Wherever she goes, she asks strangers if they have been abducted or have had other types of UFO experiences! Some people then begin sharing their experiences with her.

None of the members know why they are the "chosen" people, but they have a hunch why the aliens are studying the human race. The little grays, they surmise, are attempting to create a hybrid race.

The support group is made up of people who, like the rest of us, are typical working people, struggling with their mortgages, attending PTA meetings, and complaining about the government. But the members of the support group are different — they're being abducted by aliens...

Attention Earthlings FIDO speaks!



A strange cloud was seen by many people in the Palm Springs area of California. Supposedly, an Air Force jet was trying to fly up to the cloud... apparently not successful. The cloud was said to never move even though it was very windy. Then it seemed to "grow" another cloud from beneath or beside it. This cloud, a different color, then "swallowed" the first one.

This FIDO Bulletin Board news item was written and transmitted by BB/UFO aficionado Mike Sullivan. Our own electronics whiz, Steve Beatty, keeps a sharp eye open in order to keep us informed of UFO happenings that probably won't be showing up in our newspapers or reported by one of the glossy network newsreaders.

Thanks to our regular contributors who do so well to keep us in-the-know!
Joe Dundovick and Bob Seath!

Question: Can your loved ones collect your insurance if you're beamed up by Scotty?

If Assistant State Director Bill McNeff asks his insurance man that question, we bet the agent wouldn't blink an eye! It seems that Bill has had the same insurance man since 1962, but it was only recently that he learned of Bill's interest in UFO's. When writing to Bill regarding some business dealings, he told him about his own UFO sighting! Bill was kind enough to share that incident with us.

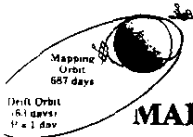
Dear Bill:

"I found your letter very interesting about your work with UFOs. We receive the local weekly newspaper, the Mille Lacs Messenger at our lake place. There have been a couple of articles recently of some local people who saw some rather strange things in the sky recently. About two months ago around six in the evening, a neighbor was visiting and we saw some strange lights several miles away over the lake. We opened the door to get a better look and whatever it was, was about 1000 feet above the ground; it looked sort of like a semicircle with square sides angling towards a smaller square bottom. There were yellow, red, green, white and blue lights. After looking at it for about 30 seconds, it disappeared. I have never seen anything like this before or since. It was a strange experience. We were happy the neighbor lady was there to also see it so we didn't think we were going nuts!"

Sincerely,

JBH, CLU

Chartered Financial Consultant



MARS OBSERVER ORBITS SOON!

The unmanned Mars Observer will attain Mars orbit in August, 1993 with the picture taking phase scheduled for December. The cameras mounted on the Observer are said to be capable of providing images 50 times sharper than anything we have seen earlier. Whether NASA can aim the cameras at Cydonia, the area of the "Face", is creating a bit of controversy.

The UFO Intelligence Newsletter reports that Richard Hoagland has stated that NASA plans to scamble data transmitted from the new Mars probe. As Editor Frances Ridge points out, "so much for America's 'civilian space program,' paid for by, and fully answerable to the American people. In other words, the area where the alleged Face of Mars and the Pyramids are located will not be shown to the public."

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