MINNESOTA MUFON

Newsletter

From the State Director

In this issue, I will summarize the presentation given by Michael Lindemann at the July, 1994 MUFON Symposium in Austin, Texas. It was a long presentation entitled HUMAN-ALIEN CONTACT AS A METALEVER OF HISTORY. It will be difficult to condense it into a short narrative!

Lindemann holds a BA in psychology and studied for two years at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkely. He is the founding director of the 2020 Group which studies forces that shape the future. He also founded the Visitors Investigation Project to conduct and publish UFO research. Readers are encouraged to obtain his book, UFOs AND THE ALIEN PRESENCE, the monograph, UFOs AND THE NEW WORLD ORDER, and a video entitled UFOs AND THE GLOBAL SITUATION for a more complete overview of Lindemann's work on UFOs.

Lindemann began by stating that the importance of the UFO phenomenon on the future of humanity is impossible to overestimate and that concentrating on the UFO part of the phenomenon must give way to a primary consideration of the intelligence behind it. To certain people within governments, the alien presence is a huge political dilemma which he calls a meta-lever, that is, an influence capable of disrupting the momentum of history in completely unpredictable ways. he suggest that this is the reason for the aggressive effort to control public access to UFO information through secrecy, deception, denial, and terror. But this containment approach is becoming less effective. More and more disgruntled insiders are willing to break their security oaths, and experiencers seem more willing to risk social ridicule rather than remain silent.

The secret that the aliens are here might not be the biggest problem. The possibility that they have always been here, and that they might be our genetic forebears and our gods, has religious implications that could make politicals feel suicidal. The absolute non-cooperation of government is perhaps the surest official sign that the aliens are here.

Since, however, the reality of alien encounters is no longer containable, the most likely alternate government strategy would be one of gradual public desensitization, and Lindemann believes this is already having the officially desired effects.

Anyone who enters a study of UFOs quickly discovers our suspicion that there is a secret group within government that controls UFO information. Lindemann gave us a couple of quotes which illustrate an even bigger picture. Summarizing the findings of the Senate regarding the Iran-Contra hearings, Senator Daniel Inouye, said that the affair had revealed "a secret government — a shadowy government with its own air force, its own navy, its own fundraising mechanism, and the ability to pursue its own ideas of the national interest, free from all checks and balances and free from the law itself."

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Many people find the twin notions of secret government and alien visitors equally unsettling and treat them the same way with ridicule, denial, or disinterest. These reactions tell us more about our own dislike of the strange and unexpected than they tell us about reality. Reality doesn't care what we think or how we feel — it's just sitting there, waiting for us to grow up and pay attention.

Some very serious scientists have worked on the UFO subject, but against terrible resistance. It's extremely difficult to conduct a scientific study when almost everyone in official capacities is either scared to talk or lying through their teeth. All efforts have value, but Lindemann thinks we remain in a pre-scientific orientation to the UFO subject. On the other hand, he states we can do political science on UFOs. Considering himself to be a political scientist, historian, and futurist, he expects to be surrounded by lies and confusion and simply keeps going forward from there.

So what is really at stake here? The future is at stake --how predictable it will be, and whether or not we will see the survival of the status quo. You can't invest in nonpredictability. You cannot plan or build. Everything becomes risky and unstable. Science, religion, and social order are all up for grabs if the UFO reality is as big and as strange as it appears to be. Here is where we are looking at a meta-lever capable of disrupting the momentum of history in unpredictable ways. It can create a historical discontinuity past which it is not easy to imagine the future. Once a meta-lever starts operating, all bets are off.

Lindemann, as a futurist, regards the prospect of alien intelligence on earth potentially as the most impacting force shaping our future during the next century. He then illustrates his meta-lever idea using the concept of global nuclear war.

Public perceptions evolve through three major phases. Phase One could be called Denial and Rationalization. The conventional wisdom goes something like this: "It's not really a problem. There's no reliable data. Let the experts worry about it." We treated the nuclear threat this way for a long time. Americans were urged not to worry about it. In the unlikely event of a nuclear attack, duck under a desk. But things changed after the Cuban Missile Crisis in 1962. People built fallout shelters and stocked them with food and water.

That leads us to Phase Two, Confusion and Debate.

"Whoops! Maybe this really is a problem. Total disarmament is the only answer;" verses "Oh no, build bigger bombs and missiles. There's no proof radiation hurts anybody."

Phase Three is Recognition and Mitigation of the problem.

"We'd better change quick or we'll all be dead. One little mistake and it's Armageddon." When you decide you really have to do something, that changes everything. Our world has been turned upside down with unprecedented geopolitical developments. For the first time in history, a world super-power voluntarily disintegrated. In our case here, it began in 1983 with The Long-Term Atmospheric and Climatic Consequences Of A Nuclear Exchange report. This eventually provoked a

book, The Cold and the Dark: The World After Nuclear War by Paul Ehrlich, Carl Sagan, and others. (You remember, the nuclear winter scenario.) A big shock was that it would not require and all out exchange of 50,000 warheads to cause these effects. A mere 100 detonations would do it. Gorbachev won the Nobel Peace Prize and resigned as the last leader of the Soviet Union. This is the kind of thing that happens when commitments are made to mitigate a metalever. Our world continues to change in remarkable ways.

Lindemann regards the presence of alien intelligence on earth as the unique meta-lever of our time, and perhaps the unique meta-lever in all of human history. This meta-lever will change the way we view reality and conduct our lives. With regard to the presence of alien intelligence, we are just entering Phase Two.

Dick Moss

Minnesota Couple "See the Light!"

hen Curt Almsted and his friend, Terry Schlack, vacationed in Nevada early in May, they left the bright lights of Las Vegas to go in search for the lights and sights around Area 51. They headed to Rachel and about 11 PM that evening, ventured south on Highway 375. After just a few miles, they pulled off the road to look at the night sky. Curt described the sky as being beautiful, but totally uneventful! After a few

minutes, Terry started the car and drove a few more miles before turning onto a gravel road in the desert. They drove about a hundred yards or so and found themselves near the foot of the Timpahute Mountains. Terry was unable to negotiate a turn, so she began to back down the winding, bumpy gravel path. Once back on the road, she continued driving in a southerly direction where they came upon a white "official looking" vehicle. It wasn't the 4 x 4 Cherokee described as being seen by Area 51 glimpsers but it did bear an insignia or emblem on the side of the doors. However, Curt couldn't make out the shape or words. The driver of the vehicle didn't make any threatening move halt their progress.

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They continued driving when suddenly Terry, with a quiver in her voice, asked "What's that light behind us?"

Curt looked into the rear view mirror. He could see the crescent shaped moon to the far left, and above it, in the upper center of the mirror, was a brilliant spotlight bearing down on them. He craned his head around to be able to get a better view by looking out the back window. According to Curt, "It looked like a train was careening toward us down some heavenly track!" The light was too large to be a motorcycle headlight, Curt observed. When he asked Terry what she though it was, she said "I don't know, but I'm scared!" The trembling in her voice confirmed her fear! Curt asked what she wanted to do but she didn't answer. Instead,

Terry pulled the car off the road. Curt thought she was hoping it really was a truck with a headlight out, and that it would pass us. What a laugh they would have over their fright!

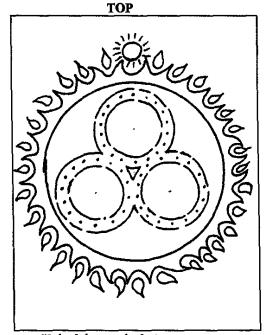
When Terry stopped the car, the light also stopped its approach. Curt grabbed his binoculars and got out of the car. Earlier, he had taken the last Polaroid in the pack and hadn't reloaded. His other camera was an automatic Olympus but he rejected it because he thought the flash would wash out any other bright light. Besides, at that moment, Curt was more interested in seeing just exactly what the light was. He focused in on it, but at first, couldn't discern much more than the luminescence. Then he was able to detect that it had three (if not more) clockwise rotating "spots" that seemed to be ringed with smaller "bulbs." On the top was a smaller "spotlight." After what seemed an awfully long time, but actually was only a couple of minutes, he got back into the car, looked at Terry, and said "Now what?!" Terry answered by saying "I want to go back to the Little A'Le'Inn! I don't want to go any further!"

Even though Curt and Terry drove to the Rachel area in hopes of seeing the "military" UFOs, they found it rather disconcerting to have one following them so closely! Laying fear aside, they decided to head right toward the light. Curt figured they had nothing to lose since "they" already knew of Curt and Terry's presence. [Wow, Curt - very brave! Ed.] At that point, their anticipation overcame their anxiety! Curt said later that he felt he was on "some scary, amusement park ride!" He described their next

actions as playing "chicken" with a UFO! When they would begin to close in, it began to retreat. Then it seemed to hide behind a dip in the road. They saw it reappear for just an instant, and then it just "went out." Gone! Vanished! Curt and Terry were both relieved and disappointed.

After the first, immediate rush of excitement, Curt and Terry began questioning each other about what they had witnessed. Terry said, "I noticed a bright light in the rear view mirror and then another smaller one. It flew above it from the right (west) and seemed to join it [the larger light]."

This was an experience neither will forget — in fact, Curt laughingly acknowledged that they definitely "got their money's worth, for sure!"



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The following is a reprint of Bud Meier's story about MUFON which appeared in the 4/05/95 edition of the **Stillwater Gazette**. Bud intended to distribute copies of the paper at our May meeting, but was unable to attend because of other commitments.

MUFON: News From the Farthest Side

By Bud Meier

A recent front page of the St. Paul Pioneer Press gave a good headline ("God's role in science"...) to a story from the US space frontier at Cape Canaveral.

Calculated to demonstrate the bedrock religiosity of Uncle Sam's scientists toiling there, the article cited space shuttle Endeavor payload commander Tamara Jernigan (a Ph.D. astrophysicist) as finding that orbital travel makes one more spiritual... "when you realize what a wonderful and beautiful place we live in."

She couldn't have said it better if the *Disgrace* (as the local seafood wrapper remains known to journalists with a memory) were crafting the quote with the overt help of the local archdiocesan office — a journalistic practice once sincerely alleged if there arose even a hint of scriptural dubiety in a story about established religion.

Jernigan's banal reaction echoes the beliefs of most Americans (especially members of the New Republican Majority), also the myriad federal workers dependent on US space and defense budgets, as well as the upper crust of the monolithic corporations and institutions, notably the richer religions.

But her reactions also upset the creationists. Those folk, held in quiet contempt by many elitist theologians, scorn every alternate cosmological theory, insisting that God alone created the universe some six thousand years ago, give or take a millennium.

So the Canaveral reporter was careful to placate the literalists by citing an astronomer-pastor from California (where else?) who found a way between the "Big Bang" theory of creation (tolerated by most nominal Christians) and the more hadshell scenario.

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"The Big Bang theory means there's a beginning," marveled Hugh Ross. "If there's a beginning, there's got to be a beginner."

To a widening audience of Minnesotans with average IQs and above, that level of reportage rivets what's wrong with the two daily newspapers that pretend to offer this community informed coverage of a world that's increasingly skeptical of the Received Wisdom.

Such dissatisfaction is one of the things that drives Minnesota MUFON, a St. Paul-based organization allied to national MUFON, acronym for the Mutual UFO Network,

- a grass-roots organization dedicated to wrestling from an unresponsive federal government clear and unequivocal answers to four leading questions that persist after a half century of waffling on UFO encounters and related phenomena:
- Are UFOs spacecraft or are they phenomena of our planet that is not understood by science?
- If they are extraterrestrial, what is there method of propulsion?
- If they are extraterrestrial, where do they come from?
- What could we learn from their apparently advanced science and civilizations?

All of those questions, of course, imply hypotheses that

are unthinkable to the power elites named above. Any alternative cosmic system arriving via Deus ex UFO would prove fatal to a world order nervously dependent on the faith and financing of its current constituencies. The articles of faith now most hallowed would soon be a tissue of irrelevancies. (Also likely would be a spate of flipouts and breakdowns among prelates, politicians and the power brokers serving them.)

But could such a thing ever be? Highly unlikely, and that's putting it mildly. But the MUFON people I have come to know (and whom you might want to meet) are joined not by far-out beliefs in, say, endless abductions pulled off by menacing little grey-hued ETs.

However, Mufoners and an increasing number of ordinary Americans (over 50 percent, according to the latest polls) share a deepening mistrust of a mainly US military clique that obviously has assumed absolute control over significant information about the UFO phenomenon and related scientific advancements which (if real) hint at new technological options that cry for an explanation to the members of an open society.

Dick Moss, Director of Minnesota MUFON, is typical of the 50 or so souls who comprise the membership of the state organization. (Others include engineers, executives, advanced academics and a sprinkling of artisans and small business people.) A resident of Long Prairie and teacher of science at the local public high school, Moss joined the national group in 1983 and was present at the Minnesota chapter's creation in 1987.

A tracker of unexplained phenomena since 1949 and frustrated by the big media's condescending coverage (if at all)(, he recently wrote in the MUFON newsletter of the "tragedy" of the "character assassination" inflicted on UFO investigators by "debunkers" with easy media access who trivialize any serious approach to the subject. Specifically, Moss found that "The St. Paul Pioneer Press has 'overlooked' our (meeting) notices on three occasions."

(Lest you think the rival upriver Strib is any better, guess again. Now undergoing an umpteenth facelift, its Variety section will certainly emerge as turgid as before, with no real sense of what its buyers want to read.)

Regretfully, the Twin Cities dailies continue to rank well down in the undistinguished middle of US newspapers. Proliferating columns and ever wider features slots are their knee-jerk reaction to demands for change — to the detriment of a vital news hole and a better grasp of what readers truly value.

Some magazines, at least, are proving progressive. One is OMNI, a slick but well-written monthly addressing science, religion and the humanities, and the impact of changes therein upon contemporary life. Last fall it announced Project Open Book, a continuing exploration of ETs, UFOs and related "paranormal" goings

on. To those, it applies an informed skepticism and requires the burden of proof; nothing less than the hard evidence demanded by MUFON and other volunteer, grassroots investigative groups.

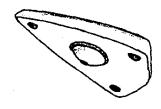
Lest our area become UFO deprived due to the daily newspapers' lofty disdain of the story, this column has decided to keep an eye on MUFON. We mustn't miss the opportunity to formally welcome any mass visitation from out there that might descend to savor our legendary regional hospitality.

Meantime, any and all interested persons are cordially invited to regular Minnesota MUFON meetings. Until lately, they'd been held the second Saturday afternoon of each month, at the Irish Well, in the Twins Motor Hotel, 1975 University Ave., St. Paul.

However, the usual schedule is currently in doubt. For the latest information about the April 11 meeting, call Lynn Bell at (612) 645-9576.



[Ed. note: Until further notice, all meetings will continue to occur on the second Saturday of each month and the Brookdale Library, Brookyn Center.]



Get the Net!

Okay, okay, there are some interesting things on the Internet! It's just that often you have to weed through so much foolishness before finding anything worthwhile!

Tune in to WABC, 770. AM, at 10:05 EST (11:05 CST), the Jay Diamond show. (Most midwestern states should be able to receive this broadcast.)

Budd Hopkins will be interviewed about the Linda Cortile case. For some of you who may be unfamiliar with the tale, it involves a woman and her son who were allegedly abducted from the 18th floor of their Manhattan high-rise. The abduction is said to have been witnessed by several people, one of whom is an "internationally known figure." It's certainly an intriguing story — should be good listening.

Steve Wingate

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Steve reported from an October
11, 1993 Washington Times article entitled, "High-tech National Tattoo," by Martin Anderson. "...there is an identification system made by the Hughes Aircraft Company that you can't lose. It's the syringe implantable transponder."

According to promotional literature, it is an "ingenious, safe, inexpensive, foolproof and permanent method of...identification using radio waves.

A tiny microchip, the size of a grain of rice, is simply placed under the skin. It is so designed as to be injected simultaneously with a vaccination or alone."

How does it work? "...the chip contains a 10 character alphanumeric identification code that is never duplicated. When a scanner is passed over the chip, the scanner emits a 'beep' and your...number flashes in the scanner's digital display."

We're told that the use of this ingenious device is confined to its current use: the tracking of dogs, cats, horses and cattle. However...

Dr. Carl Sanders, an engineer for 32 years and the designer of the Intelligence Manned Interface (IMI) biochip for use in humans, told the Monetary Economic Review that "There are new satellites (such as the) 66 satellites that Motorola is putting up in conjunction with the Russians. These are low orbiting satellites" and certain microchips can be picked up by the satellites. "We used this with military personnel in the Iraq war where

they were actually tracked using this particular type of device."

The concept of tracking children with microchips is already generating interest. The Associate Press reports that **Dr. Daniel Man**, a plastic surgeon in Miami, could locate lost children or find Alzheimer's victims...The device would emit a signal that could be monitored through a cellular system, and possibly by satellite...

On a tape he produced to explain his views on the microchip, Sanders says: "Thirty-two years of my life was spent in design engineering with a Ph.D. in engineering and electronic-designing microchips in the biomed field... Working on the microchip, we had no idea about it ever being an identification chip..." [How could they not know?!]

The injectable microchip has been equated with the "Mark of the Beast" — a reference to a biblical prophecy predicting that only those with a mark on the right hand or forehead in the "end times" will be able to buy or sell goods. (The supercomputer in Brussels handling worldwide bank clearings the for Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunications is nicknamed "The Beast!)

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International Tesla Society

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And for your summer reading pleasure:

Breakthrough: The Next Step by Whitley Streiber (Harper Collins Publishers)

Streiber withdrew from the public eye in 1989 because he had gotten "compelling proof that the visitors were real." His first impulse was to rush the information to the press, but decided against this action for fear the visitors might consider this an invitation to wider contact. Since that time, he began a determined search to understand them and their intentions. He feels he found answers and that there are "priceless new potentials available to everyone through contact with them." Streiber's experiences have been carefully documented and in some cases, witnessed by others. He passed four lie detector tests and has been examined for both physical and mental diseases which might produce hallucinations or otherwise alter his perception.

Searchers: A True Story of Alien Abduction by Ron Felber (Hardcover edition, 1994 Armstrong Publishing Group; St. Martin's Paperback edition, July/1995)

In 1989, Nine glowing objects appeared over an empty stretch of the Mojave Desert...Dawn and Steve Hess were held prisoner in their camper by hundreds of nonhuman creatures. These "Watchers" hovered over them, stealing their thoughts and feelings, forcing them to relive their most painful and intimate memories. Hypnosis revealed "horrific secrets" — but the visits didn't end. [Scary, huh?!!]