

MINNESOTA MUFON

Newsletter

From the State Director

With this issue I will begin highlighting the main points of presentations made at the 1997 MUFON Symposium held in Grand Rapids, Michigan. This year's theme was *THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF UFOLOGY*.

David Jacobs was a presenter at the Symposium with the topic *UFOS AT FIFTY: SOME PERSONAL OBSERVATIONS*. Dr. Jacobs is an Associate Professor of History at Temple University and all of you know him as the author of *SECRET LIFE*. Some might not know that he did his doctoral dissertation at the University of Wisconsin in 1973 and it was made into a book, *THE UFO CONTROVERSY IN AMERICA*. It is the only singly-authored non-debunking book ever published by an academic press (Indiana University Press in 1975). He has done over 700 hypnotic regressions with over 100 abductees. Jacobs also teaches a full credit course on UFOS at Temple. Early next year his *THE THREAT: THE SECRET ALIEN AGENDA* will be published.

Jacobs told of attending his first UFO convention in 1966 sponsored by Frank Stranges. He had taken some friends along and when a movie of a saucer was finally shown it turned out to be a big

embarrassment. One had to squint fairly hard to avoid seeing the string that suspended the object. But, he was hooked and continued to read everything he could get his hands on, notably *FLYING SAUCER REVIEW*.

In June of 1977 he and his wife drove to Peoria to attend the first Midwest UFO Conference. J. Allen Hynck made a lasting impression by calling for UFO researchers to specialize in their studies. He warned that we should pay close attention to letting the data fashion our hypotheses and not let speculation guide our view of the data. Jacobs commented that this advice seems more relevant today than ever.

In 1971 he abandoned his selected topic for a dissertation, which would have dealt with the image of women in pre-1915 motion pictures. Instead, he decided to direct his efforts toward a paper on a UFO-related topic. He came to realize that our country's involvement with the UFO was almost as fascinating as the phenomenon itself, and this was the main emphasis of his dissertation research.

Still, for the rest of us, it was sightings that occupied our attention.

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MINNESOTA MUFON Meetings

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Researchers tried to verify sightings, speculate on their purpose, and convince the public and scientists of the UFO's legitimacy. Verification was difficult and credibility of the witnesses was a major concern, especially in view of the contactees. There was also the problem of accuracy. Often, two people who viewed the same event gave accounts that were very different.

Attracting the interest of scientists was difficult and may constitute our greatest failure to date. The politics of science and ridicule worked together to prevent scientists from productive work on UFOs. This put the burden of verifying the phenomenon upon dedicated lay individuals. Reports were analyzed, and if they could not be explained, the extraterrestrial idea dominated.

The UFO was never a courteous visitor! When you wanted them to appear they did not, and when you least expected it, they appeared! The objects took on a life of their own because the contactee controversy prevented cautious researchers from openly dealing with the idea that these craft might be piloted by aliens from elsewhere. The issue of who was inside was sidestepped — it was the objects themselves that garnered the attention because they behaved strangely.

Attempts were made to predict the appearance of UFO waves, much like we might try to predict a natural phenomenon from charts and analyses. Failure to be able to predict waves suggested that UFOs exhibited intelligence. They

appeared when they wanted to and seemed as fascinated with us as we were with them. They were neither hostile nor friendly, just shy.

By early 1975, researchers found themselves looking at occupant cases. The similarities to contactee cases called for caution. The behavior of the occupants was bizarre and absurd. They would inspect terrified witnesses but move quickly away from prying eyes. Objects chased cars, materialized and dematerialized, and landed and took off immediately if a witness came upon the scene. By not landing on the White House lawn they did not conform to our ideas of how aliens should act. Witnesses were mesmerized by UFOs. For debunkers, these behaviors were proof that they did not exist. For proponents, this bizarre behavior was itself alien and evidence for existence.

Some researchers became devoted to government cover-up theories and spent much time trying to expose the conspiracy. But, in 1961, physicist James McDonald asked whether it was a cover-up or foul-up. Jacobs became convinced that the government was more inept than "ept!"

If the government was not covering up, then it was displaying a lack of interest in an important phenomenon with potential threats to our security. However, government silence since the closing of Blue Book has always suggested a cover-up. Cover-up theories endow the government with an all-encompassing power

that gives comfort to those who would like the phenomenon to be controlled in some way. Without a cover-up, the phenomenon is on the loose. But the cultural fantasy of an agreement between aliens and government puts limits on the aliens and would point to the government's efficiency in handling the situation.

Allow me to pursue these ideas a bit. Consider the insane notion that people (civilians) saw dummies in parachutes and thought they were aliens. I assume that civilians are not running around with military recovery teams, and that military personnel *know* what they are recovering. If the government makes obvious silly attempts to explain away UFOs, then the collective conclusion of the public would be that the government is covering up. *The implication, by extension, is that our government is dealing with the problem and might even have things under control.* The government wins twice. People think there is a cover-up, but they still don't know why. (Moss)

Jacobs asks whether it is worth the time and effort to continue the search for a cover-up. The ideas that UFOs exist and that our government has covered up knowledge of them have been linked together, and should not have been. If the enemies of UFO research can put doubt in the public's mind about the conspiracy, it makes it easier to convince people that UFOs do not exist. It is time to cut our losses and fight other battles. If we cannot force admission of a cover-up, we must go on with the business of solving the

UFO mystery the way we have been doing for fifty years, without government help or validation.

By 1980 we had come to an impasse in our knowledge of UFOs. We seemed to be dealing with the only phenomenon in human history that actively dictated the terms upon which it could be studied. We might never know more about the mystery other than its outward manifestations.

But abductions changed everything. Abductions provide information which is impossible to obtain from mere sighting reports — evidence of *intent, purpose, and motivation*. Now we could enter inside the objects and even inside the minds of the aliens.

The new questions are not about whether UFOs are real. Now we wonder what they are doing to us. Are they here for *our good* or *their good*? These debates represent a whole new paradigm.

Many of the puzzling facets of sightings are now clear. For example, UFOs do not chase cars for sport. People are made to forget that the car stopped and that they were abducted. They just think they were chased.

Aliens do not “instantly” enter their craft, as was sometimes first reported. Abductees forget the hours between first seeing aliens and last seeing them. They collapse the two separate memories of seeing aliens coming out of and going into a UFO, then fashion these memories into a smooth scenario of aliens instantly entering the craft.

Evidence does not support the idea that alien intelligence is beyond our ability to comprehend. When we found that they have a very advanced knowledge of human physiology, we began to understand alien motivations.

Those of us with an interest and dedication to the study of UFOs can stand proud for many reasons. We have withstood ridicule and scorn for decades, but still struggle for the truth. The abduction phenomenon is more accepted in society than we have a right to expect. UFO proponents have been on radio and TV shows for years and many have given us a fair hearing. We have made these inroads without aid from the academic community or the government.

It seems important to have a different perspective on what now needs to be done. We must ask some hard questions. For example, will the investigation of more sightings add anything important to our knowledge? Will another one hundred sighting reports change what we already know? Perhaps, but the history of UFO research suggests that we might be reaching a point of diminishing returns. Jacobs quipped that the locations of UFO sightings has no meaning other than that must be where an abductee lives.

He emphasized that we must divorce the phenomenon from New Age entanglements, such as past lives, spirit guides, Pleiadians, Zeta Reticulans, and other fringe material that make our enemies overjoyed and our supporters dismayed. Thousands of dedicated investigators who spent time

tracking down UFO sightings were not chasing past lives or spiritual enlightenment. We must maintain the scientific spirit of these pioneer researchers.

We are seeing an alien agenda that is using humans for selfish purposes. They have not wished to make formal contact. They have engaged in a systematic physical exploitation of humans because of a specific agenda that advances their designs. Humans do not figure into the equation as partners. This is an alien-centered phenomenon.

As usual, this is a greatly condensed summary of a Symposium presentation. Members are urged to obtain a copy of the Symposium Proceedings and read the entire contents of all the presentations. They are available from MUFON, 103 Oldtowne Road, Seguin TX 18155-4099.

Dick Moss

UFO?



Nope! IFO! This B-2 was photographed prior to a refueling mission somewhere over the skies in Northern California. No doubt it's caused more than one sighting report!

MUFON Abduction Transcription Project Data



Nineteen therapists and abduction researchers across North America have sent audio tapes of interviews and hypnotic regressions to be transcribed and entered into a database for ongoing analysis. The similarities found in the cases is remarkable. These include little known individual details, common sequences of events, and uniform cause-and-effect associations. See the *1997 MUFON Symposium Proceedings* for 144 passages quoted from the Project's transcripts, and *Project manager Dan Wright's in-depth examination and conclusions*. To date, the Project has processed 906 transcripts of 254 total cases. There are a total of 177 females and 90 males, with 15 cases having both sexes involved. About a dozen different entity types were described. Dan Wright believes there are five themes that are at the heart of abduction experiences.

1) Human sexuality and reproduction

Forty-five percent of the women recalled reproduction related episodes: 30 women having reproductive tissue removed; 7 being impregnated vaginally; 18 having a fetus removed. 29 men, 32%, recalled or implied that sperm was removed from them. 26 people were involuntarily stimulated sexually by various methods. 12 people were forced to have sex with other humans, entities, or hybrids. A fetus or baby was shown to 37 people (33 women) which was asserted by the entity to be that human's offspring. 20 people (19 women) had a baby placed in their arms, and 11 women reported nursing an infant. 31 cases (24 women) included entity communication about the babies, sexuality, or reproduction.

2) Alien connection

Seventy people (53 women) related having a connection or involvement with the entities either from their own beliefs or as understood through

entity communication. 21 of these people said this was a direct kinship to the entities. 50 of these 70 "connected" people were used for reproductive purposes. 51 people (32 women) spoke of an understanding of the entities' intentions for humanity or for themselves. 24 people thought a group or single entity was protective for them.

3) Instruction or mission

Seventy-nine of the people said there was information imparted, and 44 of these were also people who felt "connected" to the aliens. 66 of the 79 people who gained information had one or more teaching episodes through various methods. The majority couldn't remember what they were instructed about, just that it was significant. 33 people thought they would have a mission to perform in the future. 24% of the total cases reported an entity's love for the subject, as did 60% of the 79 people who had gotten information.

4) Changes

Thirty-seven people reported seeing images or gaining telepathic communication about drastic Earth changes. Many people thought this would be soon, and some reported that entities said we could change this outcome through greater ecological awareness or a higher collective spirituality. 28 people in this group also were instructed or told about a future mission. In 14 cases of the 37, people were told of alien and human civilizations becoming joined.

5) Government involvement

Forty-two people had conscious recollection of human military personnel. 32 saw underground facilities staffed by aliens, humans, or jointly. Others saw military personnel assisting aliens or experienced military harassment in their lives.



Summarized by
Candy Peterson,
one of many Project transcribers.

Shedding Light on Russian UFO Information

Paul Stonehill, Russian-born researcher of the paranormal and UFOs, recently talked to the Ventura/Santa Barbara Mutual UFO Network about information he discovered from the former Soviet Union.

Stonehill's interest started when he was 8 years old and met a retired Russian military pilot who told him of a disk-shaped craft that followed his plane so closely that the crew opened fire on it. He emigrated to the U.S. but kept in touch with his Russian contacts during the cold war by smuggling messages through friends. He now reviews hundreds of Russian paranormal/UFO cases each year.

From the 1930's through 1989, all information regarding UFOs in Russia was kept secret. Studies were done by the military (mostly Navy), and the research was very thorough. They had special intelligence teams that were said to have contact with entities. Underwater sightings were frequently

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reported which may explain the Soviet Navy's participation in the studies. Large craft moving at great speeds and entities in silvery suits were seen underwater, often in Lake Baikal, near Siberia. In fact, Siberia seemed to have been a "hotbed" of activity.

Some reports described a craft that looked like a dirigible which would disassemble itself! It emitted a noise that killed living creatures! Against government orders, the local official dispatched twelve jets to attack the craft.

However, it was reported that the craft destroyed all twelve within seconds. It is said that this same disaster befell jets that flew to investigate a similar

craft in the Himalayas, on the border of China.

One would think that with the fall of the Soviet Union, many UFO secrets held by the Russian researchers would now be open to all. Stonehill said that information is still being withheld and in fact, serious ufologists are being murdered — allegedly by religious sects who view UFOs as an affront against God. Stonehill believes this is just a cover-up by a government still bent on secrecy. [It is not clear if these researchers are/are not actually being murdered. Ed.]

Stonehill said that when the Soviet Union collapsed, US intelligence officers moved in and cleaned out all traces of UFO information held in the secret files.

Disinformation seems to be as much of a practice in the former Soviet Union as it is in the United States. In Rastov, several young females told police that they met aliens in shining uniforms and that they had sexual contact with them. The police investigated and found that the "aliens" were actually disguised gang members, using the UFO ploy to rob and rape young women. It is also rumored supposed UFO abductees are really being abducted by members of an industry devoted to the harvesting and sale of human organs.

Stonehill spoke about SDI, which was (contrary to the "hype" of the government) not designed as use as protection against Russia but as protection against UFOs. Supposedly there were strange deaths (murders?) and mishaps at the SDI testing grounds causing general fear and mistrust by everyone.

The following articles are offered for sale by Paul Stonehill. The cost for each is \$3.00; the entire set is \$75. Indicate choice and send a check or money order:

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Aliens and Children

by Candy Peterson

“**Y**ou know what?
Some of my dreams
are very scary.”

This statement signals any parent to make time for a talk with an uneasy child. A Minnesota mother heard exactly that on the morning of July 27, 1997, followed by, “I’m scared of aliens.” The mother typed her daughter’s account as the girl spoke about her scary dream. This is particularly disturbing because of the dream’s many similarities to various alien abduction descriptions, and that the daughter is just a *four-year old!* She has certainly seen contemporary images of aliens, but her family has always represented them to be toys or fanciful artwork.

The daughter said, “I don’t think they’re in spaceships, but I don’t know. I didn’t see any spaceships, no way. ... And I dreamed about aliens, about people getting hurt, and turning into aliens. The aliens carry them up in the beds, and cover them up with blankets, and they turn into aliens. [Closes her eyes as though visualizing] There’s twelve beds. When they come, the people run away.”

In much of her dream she was a spectator. “When I woke up, I saw [the normal bedroom surroundings], when I went to sleep, there was this TV, and these aliens. There were these two girls; they turned into aliens. And they had these beds they were resting in, like sleeping, and they turned

into aliens. ... They were grown-up size. The aliens put that machine, so they could see under [the clothes]. The machine took off their clothes. The aliens had power.”

She observed some other kind of technology that killed or

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changed people as she watched, and her participation was minimal. “I was protected, so I didn’t turn into anything. An alien took his [left] hand with the good power magic and pointed it at me, and made a sort of a big bubble that was all around me. It was clear, it didn’t feel like anything. A boy alien tried to get me to change into an alien, but the blue bubble didn’t let him. They wanted all the kids to turn into aliens, and the grown-ups. The kids turned into grown-ups first, then they turned into aliens. It



was an alien trap; there were things in the water that were scary. Well, I don’t know how, I don’t know why, they got dead and turned into aliens. They, you know, whenever they got caught, pointy things will stick out of them. They were knives, and some of ‘em were things that, some looked like teeth.”

Occasionally during her dream narration, she would say that some aspect wasn’t real, suggesting tricks, masks, puppets, and special effects, “So I don’t get scared.” I asked her if it felt like it was real, or just a dream? She answered, “Just a dream, ‘cause aliens aren’t real.” Everyone – even a child – knows that, right?

According to her parents, she has never related a vivid dream like that. Rarely has she mentioned any dream before, and then it was with just a few words about normal aspects of childhood. This complex alien dream has an incredible amount of detail for such a young child to be able to relate. Nightmares commonly begin between four to seven years of age, so that explanation can’t be ruled out. It even raises the question of how many adults are having lucid alien encounter dreams, as well.

There are many theories about the source(s) of alien contact experiences. If not actual entity visitation on some level, then perhaps our minds can access a collective unconscious realm. Maybe any age individual can tap into the archetypes that provide similar “alien” imagery world-wide. It’s possible this child is somehow psychic, and acquired her dream imagery from someone else’s experience or imagination. I’m not qualified to say. I do know that this little girl consistently re-told the same sequences of events, drew pictures that matched her

descriptions, and corrected me when I strayed away from her concept of what she saw. On a brief follow-up interview about the appearance of the traps, her eyes filled up with tears over the content of what she was relating. She brushed them away as she rose to the task of communicating what she saw.

It seems improbable to me that this dream originated wholly from within this young child. It seems likely that it could be from some unknown external source. Here are some additional verbatim statements from the little girl that are similar to diverse alien experimenter accounts:

- "It's hard to tell the girls from the boy aliens."
- "I don't know how they took out their hair. Probably they just had balded heads. They weren't all bald, one still had her hair."
- "There was a face in the nighttime sky, and she had her babies with her. The babies were just little ones, like humans. The mother and the father had sort of like gray color masks."
- "In my dream, the worst thing is darkness. Another alien said that the worst thing is lightness. Whenever lightness came, they turned back into humans."
- "I was in a different planet, a different Earth."
- [On board "the balloon"] "And I was watching TV about it, and the aliens, and the other Earth. I was with my [family]! For real, we

didn't float out of that Earth, we just went for a ride."



- "And one of them turned into a snake alien, it was a she. And it had some different eyes, they looked

like balls, only they were yellow. It had lines in the eye. The snake girl, she still had her hair. They didn't like that we have hair."

- "The boy aliens, like the gray ones with black eyes, they had a different kind of things for their tongues, pointy ends."

A few of the dream sequences were unlike published "abduction" accounts, particularly the portions with the traps: "One of the traps got a thousand people; there was a circle with many, many holes cut out." She pantomimed a boy with a shocked or surprised look, with arms and legs flailing, as he was drawn backwards and apparently sucked into a trap. Wherever she got the imagery and detailed content for this "dream," she now retains the memory of its scariness.

If this is a dream or nightmare, then she would be combining images from all sorts of extraordinary environments: Ocean scenes, atmospheric & night backgrounds; at least two kinds of aliens utilizing magic/powerful hands and machinery, various traps for humans; and strange imaging technology. She experienced visions of physical meta-

morphosis & pain & death; intrigue, floating, flying, & wind sensations. She described planetary awareness & travel, metaphysics, telepathy, and more. That's a lot for *anyone* to dream in one night, much less a four-year-old child!

I asked, "Why are aliens scary?" She replied, "How they act. I don't know, they do mean things. I don't know what they do."

What can be done for families with children experiencing strange alien dreams like this? We surely don't have any comforting answers yet. We think that alien experiences seem to occur to many members of the same families over time. But we don't know much else. How many therapeutic professionals would be able to accommodate the possible bigger picture behind this scary dream? The least we can do is to listen to children's dreams and withhold judgment or criticism. We should assure them that many people have unusual or scary dreams, so they're not alone. If we record their accounts, and analyze their drawings, someday they may be able to help us put together all the pieces of the alien puzzle.



“Contact”: UFOlogy and SETI

by Craig R. Lang

The recent success of the movie “*Contact*” has further peaked the interest of the general public regarding the prospect of contact with extra-terrestrial intelligent life. The movie has received praise from people with widely varying views on the subject — new age believers, mainstream scientists, and hard-nosed skeptics. What is it about this movie that is so appealing? How do the concepts behind the movie (ET contact via radio signal) relate to and benefit both the Search for Extra-Terrestrial Intelligence (SETI) and UFOlogy?

Since childhood, I have been fascinated by the search for life on other worlds. As a grade school student, I remember reading about *Project Ozma* — the first attempt to listen for radio signals from nearby stars. At the same time, I was avidly reading some of the UFO books of the day authored by Jacques Vallee, John C. Fuller and J. Allen Hynek. To me, both SETI and UFOlogy instill a sense of wonder at the prospect of life somewhere “out there.” And although they differ vastly in their approach to verification of this hypothesis, I believe both to be valid.

SETI and UFOlogy basically seek the same end — an understanding of, and contact with, ET intelligence. Unfortunately, even the casual reader of literature produced by either group will note much intolerance between the two camps. Many in UFO circles

criticize SETI, usually stating that it is a waste of time. Some even consider SETI to be part of a darker government conspiracy. At the same time, many in SETI criticize UFOlogy for various reasons. Even a cursory reading of the comments regarding UFOs on the SETI institute web page will show the unfortunate disdain that SETI researchers hold for UFOs.

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SETI/UFOlogy Differences

As described above, SETI and UFOlogy have many similar underpinnings. However, SETI and UFO studies approach the idea of ET life from fundamentally different angles. In the SETI paradigm, the ETs are out there. It does not consider the possibility that they could come here. Rather, to find them, one must seek evidence through astronomical observations — by optical or radio telescope. The UFO paradigm is, of course, based on the idea that at least some intelligent ET life is capable of interstellar travel, and that ET’s visit (or have visited) Earth. (Note: There are many schools of thought regarding the nature and origin of UFOs. However in this article I confine discussion to the “ET Hypothesis” school of thought). Further, the UFO paradigm supposes that starfaring ETs possess technology as yet

unavailable to us. The SETI paradigm on the other hand, considers only theoretically understood concepts in science and engineering. While this may limit the search, it does keep the results scientifically viable.

What is SETI?

At its most basic, SETI is the Search for ExtraTerrestrial Intelligence — by any means. It can also be viewed as a set of tests of the most conservative version of the ET Hypothesis — that ET’s exist out there (it actually says nothing about whether or not they can come here).

There are actually two branches of SETI: The “All-Sky Survey” strategy seeks to detect possible deliberate attempts to contact us, presumably using some sort of radio beacon. An example of this effort is The Planetary Society’s *Project BETA* (Billion Channel ExtraTerrestrial Assay). The other SETI strategy is the “*Directed Search*”. This attempts to eavesdrop on “accidental” radio emissions from an ET civilization, i.e., radar, TV, navigation, etc., and focuses on relatively nearby stars — within about 100 light years of us. This search strategy is used primarily by *Project Phoenix*, the privately funded continuation of the “directed search” portion of NASA’s canceled High-Resolution Microwave Survey project.

There are other potential types of research which could be thought of as related to the SETI effort. These include future searches for possible ET artifacts

on other planets and the hunt for signs of past or present ET life (microfossils, organic compounds, evidence of planets with oxygen atmospheres around other stars, etc.).

Many ideas which would have been considered outlandish even a few years ago are now largely accepted by mainstream science. Examples of this are NASA's "Origins" program (to study planets around other stars), the present search for extrasolar planets, and the recent discovery of possible Martian microfossils. While even a few years ago these would have been victim to the "giggle factor", today they are accepted as valid scientific activities. The effect has been that SETI and related topics have shifted the paradigm toward an acceptance of ET life — and by extension ET intelligence, by mainstream science. Perhaps the SETI paradigm is just one step in a greater shift of world view.

SETI/UFOlogy Synergy

Both SETI and UFOlogy (most notably abduction research) deal extensively with contact scenarios. Each area considers in detail the prospect of communication with beings totally unlike ourselves. With SETI being an accepted field, the prospect of contact with ET life has begun to merge into mainstream science - even if the overall field of UFO studies has not yet done so. In that sense, SETI can contribute much to UFOlogy — even if it only makes an early dent in the otherwise conservative scientific stone wall...

In addition, consider the potential effect on UFOlogy of the detection of *just one* radio signal from, as example, the Zeta Reticuli star system (perhaps a leakage signal from some form of communication). Consider what that would mean for the plausibility of the UFO ET hypothesis.

Regardless of the opinions of those in either camp, in my view, each avenue of research has validity. The only way to confirm or refute the hypothesis of either is to test it by experiment. In that sense, either SETI, UFOlogy, or both could succeed - but we'll never know unless we try. Although the two schools of thought differ in their fundamental approaches, they deal with the same overall subject. Thus, with a rational and tolerant approach by all concerned, each can contribute much to the other.



Masquerade of Angels

by Karla Turner, Ph.D. with Ted Rice

This book is the story of the life of "noted psychic" **Ted Rice**, including paranormal events such as hauntings, various psychic abilities, and alien encounters.

Karla Turner, along with hypnotherapist **Barbara Bartholic**, investigated his experiences by interviewing about 30 people who had witnessed some of the episodes reported in

the book. They used some composite characterizations and pseudonyms, but the authors explained that his story is true and "all of the incidents are presented exactly as they occurred."

The researchers seem to have had their ordinary understanding of reality smashed by the discovery that Ted Rice's life had been designed by some unknown power through purposeful tampering. Both women had previous experience with hundreds of other abduction cases.

It is a sometimes distressing book that leads the reader from Ted's early positive-thinking idealism, through stress and losses, to metaphysical paranoia. He was hospitalized for depression and suicidal tendencies, and often lived with other people to try to alleviate his fear of being alone at night. At one time he asked a black friend, Larry, to move into his trailer for a while. Nevertheless, he was still having trouble sleeping, and his health was deteriorating. He took extreme measures to provide himself with an additional dimension of security. At night he surrounded himself with 11 bibles, clutched a large crucifix, and prayed fervently until he entered a fitful sleep.

One hot night, covered only with a sheet, his cat jumped over the bibles and landed right on Ted. He startled awake, scattering the bibles, throwing the sheet up onto the rotating ceiling fan blades! He thrust the crucifix into the darkness, rebuking the ghost-like intruder he had created. He only managed to knock the cat and set it to howling alongside

Ted's terrified screaming! Larry came running to see what the commotion was all about, and he was hollering too. What a scene! After sorting things out and calming the cat, Larry remarked on his way back to his own room, "My mama always said that white people were strange. She doesn't know the half of it!" (p.217)

Intensive hypnotherapy brings Ted face to face with some of the "buried truths" about his mysterious nighttime visitors. These entities had a much different nature than the spirit guides he'd relied on for his professional psychic readings and Spiritualist Church pursuits. Concurrent with the realization that he was in contact with an alien being called *Volmo*, Ted's mental and physical health deteriorated markedly. All his life he had followed his psychic suggestions for personal relationships, moving across state lines, and other pursuits. *Ted found out that his motivations were not his own, and many things were not as they seemed.*

Eventually his hypnosis sessions revealed layers of screen memory illusions concealing ugly reptilians, distasteful sexual encounters with the aliens, human cloning, and worse.

The book ends with incomplete understanding, but a promise to keep exploring the alien situations introduced therein. As of the 1994 publication of this book, *Masquerade of Angels II* was already in the works. Also, Ted Rice began collecting other people's paranormal experiences as well as offering a quarterly subscription newsletter called *Life & Times* for updates and

correspondence. It is not known how Karla Turner's subsequent cancer illness and death has affected these plans.

This is a disturbing book in many ways, but if it's true, then it is absolutely essential that we continue to push the limits of what we think we know about the interlopers of the night.

Reviewed by Candy Peterson

The Top Ten Things About Remote Viewing

Comments from a student of the CRV Basic Course. The student arrived for training with a healthy knowledge of the principles and theories already intact.

1. It isn't easy.
2. English sucks.
3. The structure without talent is just an exercise.
4. The talent without structure is just a game.
5. Emphasis on validating facts sure can dent your ego.
6. Not validating facts will warp your ego (and rationality).
7. It is highly individualized, despite consistent structure.
8. It can be pleasant, but it's not exactly fun.
9. There is no god but PRACTICE.
10. It isn't fast or easy. Yes, that's the last word, too.

The student described what he'd learned about CRV.

Most people who say they're "remote viewing experts" obviously don't know what the hell they're talking about! The next time someone says they can

teach this to anybody (let alone a whole group) in a week and have them be an immediate and advanced crime-scene expert, say to them, "*Tell Elvis Hello!*"

Anyone who became a CRV'r in a seminar and thinks it's really easy to do well, didn't learn CRV. They learned something else!

As for "CRV being kind of like OBE stuff," this is about as far from "out of body experience" as you can get. The two not only aren't similar, they are close to being opposites. Anybody who doesn't understand this has never done real CRV.

CRV doesn't "teach you to be psychic." It teaches you how to structure, improve, deal with, and document being psychic. The practice of doing that teaches you that you already are!

Included in a list of things he learned the hard way were:

- Describe the target in detail and prove yourself to be psychic. Try to identify it and prove yourself a fool.
- The only thing "certain to be" flowers is hippopotamus whiskers. Assume anything at your own risk, no matter how obvious it seems "it must be."
- From all appearances, the subconscious speaks Etruscan in 4-D, translates it through geometry, encrypts it in some long-dead fish language, and then feeds you that information — in code, of course!

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Field Investigator Update

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As of this writing, we have several major investigations in progress as a result of sightings this summer. In addition, several investigations from sightings which occurred this spring are approaching conclusion.

In the last newsletter, I discussed ways in which MINNESOTA MUFON learns of UFO sightings and experiences. Surprisingly (or perhaps not so surprisingly), a number of reports we receive often turn out to involve possible abductions or related experiences — which were not included in the original reports. In other words, the initial report is often just the tip of the iceberg.

For example, witnesses may report seeing a light in the sky, or a daylight disk but when we ask the key question, "*Have you had any other sightings or en-counters,*" in some cases, the answer is a significant "*Yes.*"

In a recent case, multiple witnesses observed strange lights in the sky. The likely IFO nature of the sighting was soon apparent (airplane), and the temptation existed to quickly conclude the investigation. However, when asked about additional sightings, one of the witnesses began to describe, in detail, a classic abduction. Their mother also described similar abduction memories. What made the case even more credible was that none of them had read any of the "usual" books on UFO abductions (*Communion, Intruders, etc...*). Thus we had perhaps "stumbled onto" a high value abduction case lurking behind an ordinary sighting. This investigation is still ongoing and more may be written about it in the future.

In another recent case, a similar scenario emerged, in which the witness described a classic daylight disk which was definitely *not* an IFO. During the interview, we completed the standard report on this sighting. Expecting a quick end to the interview, I asked the standard follow-up questions. It turned out that the witness was "*eagerly waiting*" for me to ask this. When I did, out came a lifetime of close encounter, paranormal, and missing time experiences.

The moral of the story is that directly-reported sightings are sometimes just a hint of the real story! For the investigator, it is often helpful to gently inquire "just a little deeper" to find out if there might be additional involvement. Sometimes additional pieces of the puzzle lie just beneath the surface, awaiting a kindly inquiry and a listening ear.

For those interested in field investigating, classes are conducted approximately three times a year, when sufficient interest is indicated. If you feel that you have the necessary time, energy and objectivity, please contact Craig Lang (e-mail: crlang@mm.com, ph: 560-1532).

Happy Investigating!

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