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Director's Message

By Thomas Wertman



Two major events attributed to the beginning of the UFO era in 1947. First Ken Arnold describing what he termed as boomerang shaped objects skipping across the sky like saucers. Second the Roswell UFO crash which was initially announced in a 1947 press release, quickly retracted, and then resurfaced in the 1970s in an interview of Jesse Marcel by Stanton Friedman. From 1947 - 1969 the government acknowledges the formation and operation of three official programs to study the phenomenon. The programs in sequence were Project Sign, Grudge, and Blue Book.

After collecting, analyzing and filing thousands of UFO reports the Air Force terminated its investigations largely based on the result of one report. The Condon Report was the result of a study funded by the Air Force and conducted by the University of Colorado UFO Project. The outcome of the study and why Project Blue Book was shut down can be summed up in three sentences.

- 1.) No UFO reported, investigated, and evaluated by the Air Force was ever an indication of threat to our national security;



- 2.) There was no evidence submitted to, or discovered by, the Air Force that sightings categorized as "unidentified" represented technological developments or principles beyond the range of modern scientific knowledge;
- 3.) There was no evidence indicating that sightings categorized as "unidentified" were extraterrestrial vehicles.

2007 – The Secret UFO Program(s)

Supposedly, (cough, cough) the government did not operate an "official" UFO investigative program until 2007, after the closure of Project Blue Book in 1969. This is when media latched onto the New York Times article "Glowing Auras and 'Black Money': The Pentagon's Mysterious U.F.O. Program". The December 16, 2017 article by Helene Cooper, Ralph Blumenthal and Leslie Kean brought international attention to the subject by exposing funding for a shadowy program.

Discussion of UFO's moved from late night radio shows and podcasts to mainstream news which included a segment on 60-minutes. At this point I would like to say that one thing you can count when dealing with UFOs is murky waters. The reason is much of the information provided via the internet, books, or media is based on a limited amount of original research. Information is rehashed over and over again with most providers not questioning the details or doing additional research. As an example, I would like to break down as bullet points some of the main segments of the New York Times article.

- \$22 million dollars were spent on a program called the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP).
- Contracts indicate that money was spent between 2008-2011 on management of the program, research and assessments of the threat posed by the objects.
- Funding was initiated by Sen. Harry Reid with most of the money going to Reid's friend Robert Bigelow.

- Buildings were modified at Bigelow Aerospace for the storage of metal alloys and other materials recovered from unidentified aerial phenomenon.
- Researchers studied people who experienced physical effects from encounters with the objects.
- The program was run by Luis Elizondo until his departure in 2017. Reportedly someone else took over his position.
- Funding ended in 2012, but as of the time of the writing of an article in 2017 AATIP continued to investigate UFOs.
- The program studied encounters between unknown objects and US Navy F18 fighters off the San Diego Coast in 2004.
- In 2009 Sen. Reid requested heightened security for the program in order to protect discoveries.
- Elizondo resigned 2017 for reasons based on frustration with the program.

The New York Times article authors deserve great credit for exposing the black money program, especially in the area of current military encounters. I along with many other UFO researchers used this article as a base to create informal presentations. In my case the presentations were directed at answering questions such as: Is the government investigating UFO sightings, are our military personnel (Pilots, radar operators) encountering UFOs, and are there potential side effects of UFO encounters.

After starting my presentations, several concerns began to surface. First, as more individuals involved with the program began to come forward certain facts did not align. The government loves acronyms. With little information turning up via Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests, were researchers looking for the proper program? Second, Elizondo was AATIP director. Was he really the director? After all, his bio shows he was involved with covert operations. Wouldn't this be a desired trait for someone needed to provide disinformation? Third on my initial short list was Bigelow's involvement. Did his organization,

Bigelow Aerospace Advanced Space Studies (BAASS), obtain materials recovered from UFO incidents? Did (BAASS) receive the \$22 million contract as a favor from Sen. Reid? BAASS is in Nevada, Reid's home state, and Bigelow did contribute to Reid's campaign fund.

Information came out that AATIP was not the initial, or should I say proper name of the program. Per a George Knapp interview with Dr. James Lacatski and Dr. Colm Kelleher, Advanced Aerospace Weapon Systems Application Program (AAWSAP) was the name of the program awarded the \$22 million dollars. You may be asking who are they and why should they know? Lacatski was the Defense Intelligence Agency program manager for AAWSAP and has a BS, MS, and D. Eng in Nuclear Engineering with expertise in fusion plasmas and directed energy weapons. Kelleher was the Deputy Administrator for BAASS under the DIA's AAWSAP program from 2008-2012. When the AAWSAP funding was cut, ending BAASS, he has continued to work with Bigelow Aerospace. AAWSAP not only had contracts like the one awarded to BAASS, but also subcontracts. Lacatski stated AAWSAP was distinctly a UFO program which created a mammoth database, possibly the largest in the world and is being used by the US military. The organization also created related technical studies.

BAASS was awarded the AAWSAP contract, Kelleher's responsibility was to build the organization by finding personnel to perform investigations, research findings, and handle internal security. One of their areas of interest was related to physical effects on witnesses after UFO encounters.

According to Lacatski the acronym AATIP was used at both the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) and the Pentagon, but was used to identify two separate and distinct organizations. At the DIA AATIP was an internal nickname used to keep AAWSAP secret. The Pentagon had their own AATIP within which Elizondo was associated. That program did research specific UFO incidents which included the naval F-18 encounters. According to Lacatski the program did not receive any of the \$22 million in funding. The Pentagon program had zero funding and no contracts.

Based on the information provided by Lacatski and Kelleher there were two separate organizations: AAWSAP at the DIA; and AATIP at the Pentagon. Confusion lies in the fact that the DIA program used AATIP as an internal nickname. For what it's worth we find out the government was running not one, but two UFO programs. At this time, I should also note the new acronym for UFO's, flying saucers, or basically anything unidentified in the sky is UAP (Unidentified Aerial Phenomenon). For continuity of the article, I'm staying with UFO.

Were Materials Recovered, If Not What?

George Knapp conducted an interesting interview with owner of Bigelow Aerospace, Robert Bigelow. Some of the Bigelow comments ran contrary to the New York Times Article. When asked if BAASS had acquired materials Bigelow replied that preparations were being made to the buildings, but none were received. Aerial views of Bigelow Aerospace show a factory type building located just outside of Las Vegas, Nevada. Security would be a challenge in this type of building. A design improvement for potential storage of recovered UFO materials was needed to enhance security. Bigelow's plan was to create underground storage with limited access. It was termed as similar to entering a space-like environment. If BAASS wasn't looking at recovered materials, what were they researching?

Kelleher mentioned physical, pathological and medical effects resulting from encounters with UFOs. Two physician scientists were consultants with AAWSAP and would go out into the field and investigate UFO related injuries. One such case involved a bio technologist driving with his daughter towards Bend, Oregon. The daughter noticed three small objects in a field traveling low to the ground. The objects were moving erratically. Two of the objects came through the car; one passing over the dashboard, the other passing through the bio technologist's left shoulder and exited through his right shoulder. The objects were baseball-sized. The following day the bio technologist had pain in his left side, sunburn also on the left, and decreased vision, hearing, and hair loss all on the left side. BAASS findings indicated the injuries were the result of the encounter.

Physical effects from UFOs are nothing new and the government has known about them for some time. One such incident is a classic that occurred near Mansfield, Ohio in October of 1973. Commonly referred to as the Coyne Case, it involved a US Army Reserves close encounter with a UFO. During the event the UFO positioned itself above the helicopter. A green beam engulfed the helicopter and pulled it from an initial altitude of 500' to 2,500'. The light appeared to act something like a tractor beam. After the event the crew was asked if they experienced unusual dreams or out-of-body experiences. The question reportedly came from the Surgeons General Office. From my point of view this question would never have been asked unless there was prior knowledge of such effects.

Bigelow's interview with Knapp provided what I consider another key fact. Bigelow stated a mistake he made looking into UFOs starting with NIMMS, then BAASS, was to explore two separate areas. One dealt with the physical side of the phenomenon, the other with what he termed as consciousness. Bigelow now considers consciousness the most important. This is a subject that will be explored in another article.

Another New Program, Another New Acronym

Cutting to the chase the result of the July 2021 Congressional Report on UFO's can be summed up in the following:

- No standardized reporting mechanism existed until the Navy established one in March 2019.
- UAP probably lack a single explanation (aircraft or other).
- UAP threaten flight safety and possibly national security.
- Explaining UAP will require collection, analytics and resource investment (more money)

Enter the Airborne Object Identification and Management Synchronization Group (AOIMSG). Couldn't they find a less catchy acronym for the newest of the new UFO programs? (*Ed. Note: Like OMG!*) This program is supposed to focus on UFO

sightings in Special Use Airspace (SUA) such as military operation areas. SUA is to access and mitigate any associated threats of flight safety and national security. We will have to do a wait and see with the program. There are those hoping it will bring us closer to disclosure. Personally, I see a problem with the main focus on SUA and military operation areas. This is an easy way to redact information in reports due to national security. We then end up with a new program, new day, and no closer to knowing the truth.

Editor's Notes

By Phyllis Budinger

CONFERENCE!



There will be an Ohio MUFON conference in 2022! Many of the pertinent details were worked out at a Board Meeting in November 2021. There are still some small items that need to be resolved.

The conference will be August 27, 2022 at the Bellville, Ohio Quality Inn. There will be a potato bar for a lunch which will be included in the cost of admission. That seemed to be popular with everyone at our last conference in 2020. Four speakers have already accepted. They are: David "The Captain" MacDonald (National MUFON Director), David Marler, Stan Gordon, and Pete Hartinger. More information and cost such as bios of the speakers, titles of the talks, cost of the conference etc. will be published in the next newsletter. Ohio MUFON has a special rate for two days August 26 and 27 for those who plan to stay at the Inn. The rate will be \$125.00 for each night.

We appreciate the contributions made by Ohio MUFON members to this newsletter. First to our regular contributors/journalists: Bill Murphy for his "Murphy's Recent UFO News"; Rick Hilberg for the "Ohio Retro" items. Thanks also go to Scott Santa for writing about his recent experience with a UFO. Dr. Irena Scott sent a synopsis of her new book "Beyond Pascagoula: The Rest of the Amazing Story".

Irena in a recent email message said, "I am much honored to have been invited to be a "Featured Speaker" at the 4th Annual UFO MEGA

CONFERENCE, to be held at Bally's in the Las Vegas strip, March 19th- 27th, 2022. I will be speaking about the Pascagoula abduction and the many other strange events taking place in this flap that may be the largest ever. I'll be doing book signings also."



Recent UFO News

Numerous Developments in Ufology Since Mid-August, with Unpredictable Final Outcomes

By Bill Murphy



Many newsworthy events were covered at *Anomalist.com* since my last submission. Three have the potential to rock the UFO world. First, Congress moved towards implementing the recommendations of the June 25th Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI)

"Preliminary Assessment: Unidentified Aerial Phenomena." On August 6th the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics included a panel discussion advocating scientific study of UAPs at its "AIAA Aviation 2021 Forum." And towards the end of this news cycle a new book came out promising to "fill in the gaps" about the Advanced Aerospace Weapon System Applications Program (AAWSAP) and the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP).

"Smaller" but still intriguing items included John Greenewald's unearthing yet another 2019 Navy aerial encounter with a UFO; "Roswell witness" stories arising (one for the second time); a host shakeup in a leading podcast; and the sad passing of iconic ufologist Leo Sprinkle. If something I mention interests you but isn't explicitly identified, contact me through my murphybillufo@gmail.com email for a list of articles or with other questions.

The "Big Story" Since the December 2017 Revelations of Pentagon UFO Studies

Articles we reported included several "takes" on the differences in the U.S. House and Senate

versions of the FY 2022 National Defense Authorization Act, and the likely process by which the respective sections relevant to UFOs/UAPs will be harmonized for final passage. Most applicable are Tim McMillan's "Congress Calls for Permanent Office to Address 'Unidentified Aerial Phenomena'"; Keith Basterfield's "The Latest Developments from U.S. Congress" at his Unidentified Aerial Phenomena – Scientific Research" site; and Matt Dupuy's "US Congress Ponders Setting up Permanent UFO Investigation Office."

Worries about the Ufological Future

Commenters including Kevin Randle, Billy Cox, and Robert Powell worried that momentum would wane, history would repeat itself, and no progress would be made unraveling the UFO conundrum. Historical forebodings came from former Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid's revelation (in a November 4th *Mystery Wire* article) that AAWSAP's wider scope (beyond just UFOs) was what got its funding cancelled. John Greenewald reported "DIA Says 'UFO Program' Had No Mission Statement, Outline or Objective Document" for the 2008-2010 AAWSAP effort. This only served to fuel suspicions that current and future programs may be ineffective at best. And *that* worry was heightened by John's November 9th report that "Every UFO Case Sent to UAP Task Force Considered Entirely Classified and 'Exempt from Disclosure'." Uncertainty remains about previous Department of Defense (DOD) UFO study programs, but at least the Federal Aviation Administration and other government agencies are shown to have been more involved in UFO documentation than previously admitted. Try John's "AAWSAP and AATIP: Why Confusion Continues to Reign and Questions Continue to Linger" for a summary of current issues. Ouch!

Positive Developments in the "Big Story"

Further moves and Comments by Powerful People indicate the "pro-UFO" momentum could be hard to stop. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (D-New York) introduced a strongly-worded and bi-partisan backed amendment to the Senate version of the Fiscal Year 2022 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), which would add more "teeth" to the government UFO studies program. Among other measures, it would create a new entity, the Anomaly Surveillance and Resolution Office, require field investigations from relevant military

and intelligence organizations, and form a “science plan” for theoretical applications of UFO-reported capabilities. On the House side, Representative Ruben Gallego (D-AZ) advanced an amendment to the House version of the NDAA, and in a more recent interview used the *Forbidden Words* “extraterrestrial” and “alien” as possibilities for UFO origins. Current Director of National Intelligence Avril Haines had just acknowledged the ET possibility in a November 10th panel discussion at Washington D.C.’s National Cathedral, employing the word “extraterrestrially.” And former Senator, astronaut, and now Administrator of NASA Bill Nelson has forthrightly allowed the possibility of alien life and an implied connection with UFOs. Let’s let these “attitudinal pivots” in official discourse sink in for a while!

Relevant Excellent Articles on These Developments

See Douglas D. Johnson’s November 5th “Will Congress Now Boldly Go Where No Congress Has Gone Before?”; Jazz Shaw’s November 15th “Is Congress about to Say the Unthinkable in its UAP Investigations?”; Micah Hanks’ *The Debrief* piece “We Don’t Understand Everything That We’re Seeing: Group Convenes in Washington to Discuss, Space, The Future, and Extraterrestrials”; Henry Holloway’s link to the November 10th panel discussion video “Our Future in Space” at his “UFOs Buzzing Navy Warships May be Aliens: Top Spy Chief”; and *The Hill* Opinion Contributor Marik von Rennenkampff’s “NASA Chief Bill Nelson Latest Official to Suggest UFOs have Otherworldly Origins.”

August 6th AIAA Panel Discussion on UFOs/UAPs

On August 19th *The Debrief*’s Christopher Plain headlined “World’s Largest Association of Aerospace and Aeronautical Engineers Joins Call for Scientific Inquiry of UFOs.” He followed this up the next day with “Here is What You Need to Know about UFOs According to the AIAA Aviation Conference.” Air crew and passenger safety were the driving forces behind this august body’s taking the UFO presence seriously. Panelists numbered former US Navy pilot Ryan Graves, Dr. Ravi Kopparapu, Peter Reali, Dr. Kevin Knuth, NARCAP’s Ted Roe, and Phillippe Ailleris. Plain discusses concluding recommendations from the

group, and five important takeaways from this major acknowledgement of UFO reality.

Notable Ufologist Newsmakers

Leslie Kean engaged in a *Space.com* exchange called “The New Reality of UFOs: An Interview with Journalist Leslie Kean.” Kean’s clear vision of what should be done next is valuable. In spite of carping by some mainstream media articles and a drop in the general media frenzy after June 25, Kean’s right that we’re at least temporarily in a new and better situation regarding acceptance of the UFO issue. This year’s MUFON International Symposium (August 26th-29th in Las Vegas) as well as the International UFO Congress (held virtually beginning September 8th) were heavy on the Big UFO Story and Disclosure. Luis Elizondo remained in the news, speaking at an international conference in San Marino in September and at the International UFO Congress, and also with news of a deal to publish a memoir. Perhaps more significantly, Lue and Chris Mellon have joined Avi Loeb’s *The Galileo Project* as “Research Affiliates,” along with Robert Powell of the *Scientific Coalition for Ufology*, Dr. Kevin Knuth, Nick Pope, Robert Salas, and—wait for it—*Skeptical Magazine* publisher Michael Shermer. Loeb’s effort has in fact assembled a raft of folks with impressive credentials and/or futures; its “Scientific Advisory Board” now includes Rizwan Virk besides, as mentioned last news cycle, Seth Shostak!

Another government official, California Republican Representative Mike Garcia, made news by admitting he was in the air on that November 14th 2004 day when David Fravor, Alex Dietrich, and others encountered the fabled “Tic Tac” off the southern California coast. And in late August CBS reprised its blockbuster “60 Minutes” piece on “UAP.” Positive fallout from all this news going back to December 2017 was reflected in Gallup polls and likely in Chris Rutkowski’s Canadian UFO Survey.

Other Related Stories and Interesting UFO Topics

Speculation flowed about which private company/ies might be holding UFO material, which would be exempt from Freedom of Information Act efforts. On September 6th John Greenewald premiered a podcast which he felt dealt a crippling

blow to the authenticity of the controversial “Wilson/Davis notes.” These assert that some company indeed possessed stuff from what Eric Davis would term “off-world vehicles not made on this Earth.”

The Debrief published an article on “The Anti-Gravity Club” – an association of academics, scientists, and engineers that is increasingly accepting ufological topics. A former Area 51 engineer expressed strong opinions on Bob Lazar and the three most famous UFO videos. In early October Anthony Braglia resurrected an account by the late Dr. Shirley Wright, who claimed to have accompanied Albert Einstein to view the Roswell crash material and aliens, causing some excitement among folks like Kevin Randle, Rich Reynolds, and Nick Redfern, while another person claimed their father had been a 1947 UFO crash (thought to be Roswell) witness. That last is a little suspect; the story seems a mish-mash of various Roswell themes. It uses the term “unobtainium” as current in 1947 (nine years before dictionaries even note it existed) in a 2010 letter sent to Stanton Friedman. There’s no indication whether Stan even responded to it. (“Unobtainium” or “unobtainium” is known from engineering use in 1956—which surprised me when researching it as I’d thought it was made up for the movie “Avatar”!) More recently, a man named Frederick Portugal has surfaced with apparently impeccable credentials but some unsettling analyses of supposed “UFO” videos from 2007 and 2008.

Nick Redfern and others wrote articles about government shenanigans with missing documents and disinformation. On October 19th Robert Salas, Robert Jacobs, Robert Jamison, and David Schindele held a two-hour press conference at the National Press Club. There they detailed their USAF service encounters with UFOs, in which those objects interfered with missiles. The whole event is available at *Mystery Wire*’s “UAPs Disabled Nuclear Missiles Multiple Times According to New Testimony.” Unfortunately, press interest disappointed Billy Cox, and what was originally one of my top UFO developments of this news cycle may have less impact than it should have exerted. *Mystery Wire* also reports that MUFON’s membership has increased *about 50%* since the December 2017 exposes of a Pentagon UFO studies program and the release of two (a few months later a third) Naval UFO videos. Documents

prove the Federal Government took that 2019 Matty Roberts “Storm Area 51” online Bad Idea very seriously, up to and including notations about the use of “deadly force” responses. The documents make for sobering review. And more articles appeared comparing UFOs and the COVID-19 pandemic. You also might remember that on February 9, 2021 two law enforcement helicopters pursued a “mystery drone” over sensitive areas in Tucson, Arizona. *The War Zone* has been actively pursuing that story itself, and on August 19th published an article with audio from the more than an hour-long chase. Bottom line: the radio transmissions only “add to the mystery.” And Isaac Koi has begun a blog to educate researchers on UFO data collections and tools for their use.

Recent Sightings

We covered numerous reports of UFOs during this period. Hands down, the most interesting were an early September case out of Colorado Springs, with a video that seemed to be showing male Siamese Fighting Fish cavorting about in the sky; a Mexico City case of “Earth Lights” during a 7.0 magnitude earthquake on the evening of September 7th; and the “Alleged DHS ‘Rubber Duck’ UAP Footage, November 23, 2019” comprehensively covered by John Greenwald on October 7th. For this, digest John’s discussion and the Lue Elizondo half-minute video, next view only about five minutes of the “Official DHS RUBBER DUCK UAP Footage Drop video” from sometime after 20:30 minutes in, and *then* tackle the Mick West video arguments. This should make the whole thing more intelligible and may save your time, eyestrain, and sanity, as that first 20 minutes of the video is basically uninteresting and the last 40 minutes is mostly repetitive.

W.C. Levensgood and John Keel

The late “Lefty” Levensgood is the subject of a substantial four-part series by *The Observer* on July 21st, July 30th, August 25th, and September 1st called “Imprints in the Field.” To make sure you are able to access these articles, try *The Observer* “Imprints in the Field Part 1” for the opening piece, and you can go to the next related entry by following a link at the bottom of each successive installment. I was fortunate to assist Levensgood on a crop formation case that turned out to be noteworthy, and was impressed by the man. The

comprehensive series describes the vagaries in the career of this genius. The late John Keel's remarkable and rather scary 1967 summation of his beliefs about the Androids whom he felt were on Earth for not especially wonderful purposes is called "The Answer." It runs for 10 installments beginning on July 25th and concludes on October 5th. The address for the opening segment is <http://www.johnkeel.com/?m=202107> and you can find the subsequent episodes by going to the "archives" at the right-hand margin of the John Keel site (managed by Doug Skinner) and clicking on the months from July through October.

Podcasts We Covered

These included *The Paracast* interviews with Jacques Vallee; Cheryl Costa (of the new book "UFO Sightings Desk Reference: United States of America 2001-2020"); archivist Barry Greenwood; Micah Hanks; Ryan Sprague; and Bryce Zabel. *The Paracast* itself made news with the departure of co-host Randall Murphy, apparently over differences with Gene Steinberg over COVID vaccine mandates. *Strange Arrivals* host Toby Ball did two excellent interviews with *The X-Files'* Chris Carter and *Intimate Alien* website's Dr. David Halperin; and Kevin Randle had a useful interview with friendly debunker Robert Sheaffer at *A Different Perspective*. N.K. Kranda discussed "surviving extraterrestrial encounter trauma" with *Edge of the Rabbit Hole* hosts Mike Ricksecker and Victoria Munda.

Books and Other Media Notes

The Jacques Vallee/Paola Harris collaboration "Trinity: The Best-Kept Secret" keeps garnering notice within the UFO Community. Jacques Vallee discussed this book and its background in a George Knapp interview—as well as his role in architecting a database for the AAWSAP effort. David Halperin has an interesting "take" in "Nuclear Test, UFO Crash – Vallee and Harris' 'Trinity' (Part 1)," the September 16th first of a two-part review concluded on September 30th. While Halperin thinks the story of a 1945 UFO crash is a potpourri of Roswell themes by three honest witnesses (a kind of *folie a trois*), he believes the book is "important and valuable." Halperin did another typically thoughtful two-part review of Ralph Blumenthal's John Mack biography at "Ralph Blumenthal's 'The Believer' – The UFO Odyssey of

John Mack (Part 1)" whose Part 2 follows on October 29th. Dr. Irena Scott's "Beyond Pascagoula: The Rest of the Amazing Story" gets coverage in an October 10th *Paracast* interview at <https://www.theparacast.com/podcast/now-playing-october-10-2021-dr-irena-scott-with-tim-swartz/> and a *Magonia* book review by Nigel Watson at <https://pelicanist.blogspot.com/2021/09/beyond-pascagoula.html>. Bill Chalker describes two works published by *Anomalist Books*: "Redemption of the Damned, Vol. 1: Aerial Phenomena," and "Redemption of the Damned, Vol. 2: Sea & Space Phenomena." These are modern examinations of cases presented by the father of Fortean studies, Charles Fort, in his 1919 "The Book of the Damned." And Jack Brewer came out with an historical study in "Wayward Sons: NICAP and the IC," regarding possible Intelligence Community (IC) connections in the formation and actions of the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP).

On October 10th "Skinwalkers at the Pentagon: An Insiders' Account of the Secret Government UFO Program" was published. The book is co-authored by Dr. James Lacatski, who created and fostered the Advanced Aerospace Weapon System Applications Program (AAWSAP) for the Defense Intelligence Agency; Dr. Colm Kelleher, who was its day-to-day manager for the program's contractor, Bigelow Aerospace Advanced Space Studies; and journalist George Knapp, who with Kelleher co-wrote the important and frightening 2005 book "Hunt for the Skinwalker: Science Confronts the Unexplained at a Remote Ranch in Utah." The new book aims to clear away the confusion surrounding AAWSAP and the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP), and offers a good deal of surprising new information. This tome may possibly be even scarier than the 2005 "Skinwalker" volume, and will provide probably as much enlightenment about "the secret study [AAWSAP], how it was organized, what it investigated, and what conclusions it reached" as we're likely to learn for a very long time. *Nevada Public Radio* did a straightforward review of the 2021 "Skinwalkers," which volume is attracting much notice amongst ufologists. On October 20th Keith Basterfield's "Lacatski" summarized what he found to be new in the 2021 book. But it remains to be seen what effect its sometimes stunning contents will have in the mainstream media and academic, technical, governmental, and military sectors.

Popular artists Demi Lovato and Kesha have (Lovato) and will offer (Kesha) their own UFO and paranormal TV series, and “Foo Fighters” Dave Grohl got some play for remarks on UFOs to the BBC while promoting a memoir. Tom DeLonge continues to attract attention in both the UFO and “Outside” worlds as he merchandizes his music and people still try to assess his and his organization *To The Stars...Academy of Arts & Science’s* important roles in the Big UFO Story since December 2017.

Passings from the Field

Sadly and most recently as of this writing (November 19th), long-time UFO researcher Leo Sprinkle, whom Mike Clelland described as “the most heart-centered and caring person I have ever met,” has died at age 91. Most known perhaps for his work with abductees, psychologist and hypnotherapist Sprinkle’s work has recently been immortalized in Colorado MUFON State Director Katie Griboski and others’ “Letters of Love & Light: Four Decades of UFO Encounters, UFO Experiences and Sightings Shared with Ufologist R. Leo Sprinkle, Ph.D.” Kevin Randle has a detailed November 18th obituary called “Leo Sprinkle Has Died.”

End Notes

At this perhaps pivotal juncture in ufological history, try Micah Hanks’ November 1st article “The Future of Ufology: To Know Where We’re Headed, Look to the Past.” Hanks excerpts from a prescient 1995 interview with Dr. Michael Swords, J. Allen Hynek Center for UFO Studies Board Member and co-Editor with Robert Powell of “UFOs in Government: A Historical Inquiry”—to my admittedly-biased mind the best book on the story of that subject, a topic so significant now and likely for years to come.



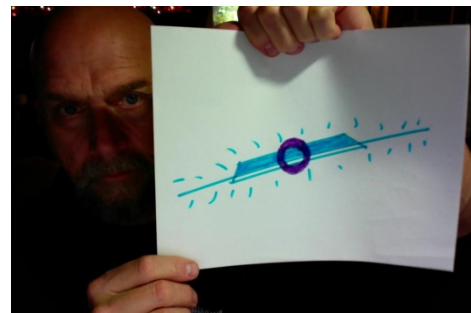
UFO Experience?

By Scott Santa

On Sept. 21st of this year (2021) I experienced an extremely odd encounter with something in the sky right over the driveway of my home in Cuyahoga Falls, OH, that I’m still, with great difficulty, trying to process.

Sept. 21st of this year, a day which could only be defined as mundane - your basic “routine” day. Our trash pickup was for the next morning, so as I always do, I put out the bins the evening before. After I had completed that task, I returned to the house only to find that I had forgotten a bag of trash and had to return to the devil-strip to throw it away.

It was a beautiful evening, just before twilight with amazingly clear skies as I left the house and proceeded down the drive-way. I threw the forgotten bag into the bin, turned to come back to the house and something made me look up. There, approx. 100ft in the air, almost directly above me was an aqua/electric blue blinking “yard-stick” shaped light? - object?...hovering over me. It was small, I estimate it’s length at maybe a yard, perhaps 2 yards long with what I thought was an “eye” in the middle of it. Not a human eye, but a perfect circle, purple in color with a white center. My immediate impression was “it’s looking at me”!



This “thing” and I stared at each other for perhaps 30 seconds at most. There was a very slight buzzing sound that I presume was emanating from it as the street was silent, no neighbors were out that I was aware of. At first I thought it might be

a drone - but there were no visible propellers and it's shape and movement(s) did not fit my conception of what a drone should or would look like, nor how a drone moves. The object, as it hovered, seemed to move from side to side, slightly as it hovered, like it was quivering, yet remaining stationary. Admittedly I'm not an expert in drones but am familiar, mainly from seeing them on TV programs, and this object did NOT look anything like any drone I've ever seen. I immediately discarded that as an answer and thought "whoa - this is odd, this isn't normal". I remember speaking to it out loud saying "what are you doing here?"

The staring contest continued as this object remained steady over my head. After perhaps 30 seconds of looking at each other, the object departed, very fast to my left, maintaining its relative height. It left a blue colored trail as it quickly zoomed away and then stopped at the end of my street over some trees, about 7 houses down the block. At this point, the shape I saw was different and it now appeared as a white orb and it hovered above the trees for what I think is about 1 to 2 minutes. I was awestruck, frozen in place staring at it waiting to see what it would do next. It then zipped across the street to stop and hover over the trees near the houses on the other side of the street I was on. It hovered there for approx. 3 minutes or so. I recall thinking what on earth is that thing doing just hovering there for so long?

It then zipped back towards me, stopped over me again, hovered for about 30 seconds or so, then took off down the street in the opposite direction and disappeared over the tree line at the other side of the street, about 12 houses down. IT, whatever IT was - was gone.

I remained standing right where I was looking up and down the street for a couple of minutes to see if anyone was out and there wasn't. There are some youngsters on my street but I have never seen them or anyone else ever fly a drone around here either before or since then. Subsequently I have asked a few neighbors (excluding what I saw) if they've ever seen a drone flying anywhere in the neighborhood, all replies in the negative.

The entire encounter was eerie, and has left me feeling "targeted" as if I was being watched, with purpose. I have no explanation for what happened. Remains I'm at a loss as to what occurred, and am

still trying to process the occurrence. A real and true head-shaker folks!!

I am open to answers.



At 12:40 a.m. on April 3, 1980 the witness, a woman in her 50s, observed a bright silvery disk-shaped object from a location just north of Brookpark Road near Chevrolet Blvd. on Cleveland's far West Side.

She was alerted by a very bright light shining through the window of her mobile home, and she decided to go outside as to ascertain its cause. Upon arriving outside, she noted that the almost full moon was visible, with a few stars shining in the sky because of the brightness and the presence of a light amount of cloud cover and city haze.

She walked a short distance away from the other homes and nearby trees to get a clear look at the source of the unnaturally bright light source. It was then that she clearly saw the large disk-shaped UFO hovering over the nearby Conrail tracks and high-tension power lines serving the many medium to large industrial plants in the area.

She estimated the object as being at an approximate elevation 30 degrees, and thought that it was at an altitude of 180 feet or so above the power lines. She also estimated the object to be 30 - 40 feet in diameter, and 15 - 20 feet high at the bulge.

She watched the UFO circle or orbit over the power lines for approximately ten minutes, when it unexpectedly rose straight up at a high but erratic speed, and was quickly lost to sight.

Source: Report called in to our telephone report center. Case on file.



Army officer's secret journal could offer new clues about the UFO crash in Roswell in 1947

By Mindy Weisberger
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Major Jesse Marcel, head intelligence officer at the Roswell Army Air Field, investigated and recovered some of the debris from the Roswell UFO site in 1947. (Image credit: Universal History Archive/ Universal Images Group via Getty Images)

A long-hidden diary belonging to a U.S. intelligence officer has rekindled research into the Roswell Incident, the infamous UFO crash in Roswell, New Mexico, that took place more than 70 years ago.

When a mysterious object slammed into the desert near the Roswell Army Air Field (RAAF) in July 1947, Maj. Jesse Marcel, an RAAF intelligence officer, was sent to supervise collection of the debris. A press officer at the RAAF issued a statement on July 8 describing "the crash and recovery of 'a flying disc,'" which many interpreted as evidence of alien contact. But the next day, another army official told reporters that RAAF officers had recovered a weather balloon, not a flying saucer.

Newspaper photos showed Marcel posing with pieces of what appeared to be a shredded high-

altitude weather balloon with a radar reflector. But in the decades since, many have speculated about the military's initial "flying disc" report, wondering if the wreckage was perhaps more unusual than the photos implied. Recently, Marcel's family revealed that he had kept a diary from that period that might contain clues about the crash, sparking a new investigation by the History Channel in "Roswell: The First Witness," part of the network's "[History's Greatest Mysteries](#)" series.

"The government claimed they had recovered a UFO — they had a press release about it," said Ben Smith, a former CIA operative and the show's lead investigator. "No other government in the world has said 'We have a spacecraft,' and then the next day there's another press release that says, 'Never mind, it was just a weather balloon'," Smith told Live Science.

Major Jesse Marcel, head intelligence officer at the Roswell Army Air Field, investigated and recovered some of the debris from the Roswell UFO site in 1947. The show revisits the Roswell crash site, incorporating aerial surveys and mapping, and using multispectral imaging to detect micro-depressions in the ground that could indicate where debris landed, Smith said.

But the central component of the new inquiry is a diary, which Marcel supposedly kept during the time of the Roswell crash, and which is now in the possession of his grandchildren. Decades after the event, Marcel told an interviewer that he believed the object that crashed in the New Mexico desert had extraterrestrial origins, Time reported in 1997. Analysis of the diary — and translation of its cryptic language — could reveal coded messages that Marcel wrote about the crash at the time that it happened, Smith said.

Interest in UFOs hasn't waned since the Roswell Incident — if anything, recent evidence has amplified it. In 2017 and 2018, U.S. Navy pilots recorded three encounters with fast-moving UFOs (also referred to as UAP, or unidentified aerial phenomena); the Navy officially declassified the videos in April of this year, Live Science previously reported. Also in 2017, a former Pentagon official confirmed the existence of a federal agency that had been secretly investigating UFOs since 2007, and which may still be active today.

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But why do the events of Roswell still intrigue people?

"It's the origin story of the UFO, the prospect of a government cover-up for alien contact," Smith said. "Science fiction already existed but things that passed to us through pop culture found their origins in government secrecy surrounding this strange sequence of events in 1947," he said.

"It all starts in Roswell."



The Truth About Winston Churchill And UFOs

By Toby Arguello
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Churchill in military uniform
Central Press/Getty Images

Winston Churchill was one of the most important politicians of the 20th century and remains a polarizing figure to this day. While his achievements as a statesman are well-documented, his serious attitude toward UFOs — including a giant coverup of a sighting — is less known by the public (via BBC). The UK government considered UFOs a legitimate threat throughout the 1950s, with intelligence agencies collecting weekly reports of UFO sightings, some of which Churchill became involved in.

Officials even called a wartime meeting with Churchill about a UFO sighting reported by Royal Air Force pilots. Even though UFO strictly refers to unidentified flying objects, and it was entirely plausible that the sighting was simply an unrecognized enemy aircraft, Churchill was concerned about a mass panic. In fact, he was so concerned about the repercussions if this UFO sighting was made public that he ordered the incident to be kept a secret for at least 50 years. This sighting, along with hundreds of others made in the UK over the decades since, was revealed in a 5,000-page report declassified to the public back in 2010.

Something Churchill feared more than public panic

It wasn't just mass panic that was on the Prime Minister's mind when covering up the UFO sighting. According to BBC, Winston Churchill was also a believer in life out among the stars, as evidenced by an unpublished essay written during the beginning of World War II and updated in the 1950s. The essay was handed to a museum in the '80s but was forgotten about until its rediscovery in 2017.

The 11-page essay saw Churchill quote famous astronomers like Copernicus as he put forth his arguments for extraterrestrial life. The vast size and scope of the universe and presence of liquid water on other planets made the chances that Earth is the only planet to support life slim, said the Prime Minister. Churchill's respect for the sciences was well-known, being the first PM to appoint a scientific advisor, and he even had some theories that were later proven true, like the existence of planets orbiting other stars, or humans eventually traveling to the Moon. It's not surprising that he would later consider the presence of UFOs a serious threat — not just the possibility that they're enemy aircraft, but invaders from the stars.



Review of Beyond Pascagoula The Rest of The Amazing Story

By Dr. Irena Scott



The best known event of the October 1973 UFO wave is the October 11, 1973, reported abduction of Charles Hickson and Calvin Parker, who were fishing off a pier on the Pascagoula River in Mississippi. It is probably the best documented of any abduction—it made the news worldwide and

much has been written about it including recent books by Parker.

However much of the rest of the story has been forgotten, but it is every bit as important as the Pascagoula abduction account and contains some unique elements that might allow much else about the UFO subject to be examined and possibly even confirmed.

One was the UFO wave of which the abduction had been a part. This was a spectacular wave and likely the most massive of all waves. In addition, at the same time as the Pascagoula event, numerous additional activities took place, including sightings in many locations.

I conducted many interviews and extensive examinations of these events. From these came another astonishing finding; there had been additional reported abductions in Pascagoula and elsewhere. There may have been independent witnesses to the abduction. In one instance a possible abduction occurred at the same time and place of the Parker-Hickson one and possibly by the same object. This is the first report of any UFO event even similar to this one.

Also, there were numerous reports of underwater activity and submerged objects associated with this wave. The Pascagoula area had made the national news twice in a month's time because of the abduction and because of the underwater sightings.

Although the abduction accounts were often ridiculed, the Navy intensively investigated the submarine object reports. It took the Unidentified Submarine Object (USO) investigations seriously

because the sighting occurred near a nuclear installation and in an area of extremely high technology shipbuilding. The nearby Keesler AFB is the largest base in Mississippi. It had remained the largest training base within Air Training Command throughout the 1970s, and it continued to stay on the cutting edge of electronics technology. However, because the abduction actually took place closer to these facilities than the USO, it should have been more exhaustively investigated.

Moreover the accounts of several people who were interviewed showed ties to both the abduction and the submarine activity, suggesting they might have been connected.

Yet another astonishing occurrence was a sound that was so loud that it may have been the second most extensive audible sound ever recorded in human history. It was heard over a distance of about half of the country. This provided very impressive evidence.

On October 11, 1973, incrementally across the country from Iowa to the Atlantic coast and at around the time of the Pascagoula abduction, houses began to shake. There were many witnesses, reports to authorities, and physical effects. This was over one of the most densely populated areas of the country and the nation's capital.

Incontrovertible evidence existed for this event. This sound caused people to dash from their houses, fire department runs, airplane deployments, police investigation, and created signs of an immediate close explosion throughout a section of the country. But although searches were conducted, the cause was undetectable both visually and by radar.

I had done an earlier study of this sound, worked with the state seismologist and several geologists, and had published in a peer reviewed scientific journal. No one could explain the sound.

More recently much additional technical information has become available and this allowed a very succinct study of sounds, sonic booms, and additional elements of the analysis. For example, NASA and other agencies have made intensive studies of the size and strength of sonic booms and their association with particular aircraft and natural

phenomenon. This information allows scientists to determine whether a sound is likely to result from a human or natural process, or whether it is unique and thus might be phenomena that we do not yet understand.

Likewise the means to gather additional information from literature sources has improved. Thus I was able to get reasonable estimates of the location of the sound, its time, and extent. This enabled me to make a number of calculations such as of its speed, trajectory, and intensity and compare these results with the information from NASA data about known flying objects.

This tremendous sound encompassed an area in length from Iowa, where first heard, to Washington DC, Maryland, and likely the Atlantic Coast, and in width from approximately Rome, New York, into Virginia and Tennessee. It may have been around 1000 miles long and in places 500 miles wide. If it were calculated as the area of a rectangle, the area could be around 500,000 square miles. It was powerful enough to shatter objects over a large area.

This sound could not be explained as caused by any known aircraft. Its width was many times larger than the sonic boom of any of our aircraft, when compared to the recent NASA information. The sound differed from that of a sonic boom. There was no evidence of an earthquake.

The sound was quite unnatural and remarkable in many ways. An important factor to consider also is the physics of this boom. It appeared to defy the known laws of physics in numerous ways, which suggested that it was made by intellect. The width of the sound was many times wider than that of any craft manufactured by people. In places, it may have been as much as 4-500 miles wide. A calculation of the height needed for such a widespread sonic carpet would show that the object needed to be almost 50 miles high. At such a height, there would be very few atmospheric molecules and thus no sonic boom at all.

But even stranger, there was a strong overpressure accompanying this boom, such that windows were shattered along part of its pathway. However, to cause such effects an aircraft would need to be quite low and certainly not at an altitude to cause such a widespread blast.

A sound covering this large an area would have needed a massive amount of energy to bring it about. For example when comparing this boom with others such as the effects of the Russian Chelyabinsk meteor, the shock wave from this boom may have released a greater equivalent energy over a larger area. Moreover the object associated with this sound seemed to have a material way to do this but then could disappear without a trace.

And as in the Pascagoula instance and other of the October, 1973, UFO episodes, the objects seemed to be concentrated on a number of the country's most strategic manufacturing, technical, and military areas. The sound was heard over Washington DC, the area around it that contained many of the country's most vital centers, and some of its most important cities. This also happened during a vital time in the history of the country.

These events led to the important unsolved mystery: what was this sound? The government researchers initially explained it as caused by a supersonic plane. But later, after examining such evidence as the location and time of the blast and information on military flights at that time in more detail, they revised this idea and presented it as caused by a possible meteor.

The many independent reports, much physical evidence such as shattered windows, and two seismograph tracings of the sound, provided hard evidence that something happened. The two seismographs were 135 miles apart. They showed it was caused by one object. However there were no reports of airplane sightings, of radar returns, or of a meteor.

There were searches for aircraft, but none could be identified as the source. And even though it is possible to very quickly identify and photograph even such rapidly moving objects, no identification or photography was made. The sound's source has remained unknown.

In addition, many of its characteristics would not be compatible with the meteor or earth-grazer theory. For one important fact, I was able to calculate its speed from the available information. It travelled much slower than a meteor. Meteors generally experience a compression that results in

becoming visible, but this was unseen. There was some evidence that it might have changed its course and speed, which would be unlikely if it were a meteor.

The totality of these occurrences might change the world's perception of UFOs. These occurrences were noteworthy for many reasons and stirred numerous additional questions. What was the sound and why was it concurrent with a tremendous UFO wave? How did it fit into the rest of the scenario? Could the object causing the sound have also been a UFO? It would fit the definition of UFO just as much as any sighted object would. In that case, it might be a part of this wave and a very important part. Is there a connection and meaning of all these occasions together?

This was significant evidence. Although an important characteristic of UAP phenomena often is a lack of scientific evidence, and normally there are very few witnesses, in this case there was much evidence and numerous witnesses. The unexplainable explosive sound could have been heard by almost one quarter of the US population as it was reported in consecutive increments from Iowa to the east. It was heard over the country's heartland, its capital, and many of its important cities and technical centers. It was unexplained.

Much evidence of the UFO presence rightly or wrongly has been debunked. No trace material has ever proved the existence of UFO phenomena. Likewise even the best photography has been debunked. However in this case, there would be no way to debunk the seismograph results. Something very strange happened and it left good physical evidence.

Because the October 11, 1973, sound was so massive and extensive, it shows that something extremely powerful had happened. This event needs study today for many reasons, such as the panic which nearly erupted, and because a similar incident could happen again. And of all UFO reports, this might be the only one to leave evidence that would be acceptable to science.



On November 10, 1957 during a time of increased UFO activity all throughout the United States, Mrs. Leta Kuhn of Madison observed a very large, lighted object some sixty feet above the ground above her dog kennel complex in her back yard.

The lighted thing was so bright that she was forced to close her eyes after looking at it for any length of time. The thing was some thirty feet wide, nine to twelve feet in thickness, and sported a dome-like structure on its top. After hovering for a period of time it gradually moved away and was lost in the distance.

Several days later she was forced to see her doctor because of redness and burning of her eyes as well as skin irritation that seemed to be burn-like. Also, several weeks after the evening encounter one of her dogs gave birth to unusually deformed puppies, something that never happened to her before in all her years of breeding prized dogs.

Source: Painesville Telegraph 11/27/57.



UFOs buzzing US warships may be aliens: Top spy chief

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(<https://nypost.com/2021/11/11/ufos-buzzing-us-warships-may-be-aliens-top-spy-chief>)

UFO's buzzing warships and being reported by US pilots could be of alien origin, America's top spy chief has said in a stunning admission.



Avril Haines, who oversees all 16 US spy agencies including the FBI and CIA, speaks at the Our Future in Space event at the Washington National Cathedral. YouTube / Washington National C

Avril Haines, the Director of National Intelligence (DNI), who oversees all 16 US spy agencies including the FBI and CIA, was speaking at the Our Future in Space event at the Washington National Cathedral.

Haines was quizzed about UFOs which have become a serious national security debate in the US after years of being consigned to the dustbin of conspiracy theories.

The stunning UAP Task Force report published by the Pentagon over the summer admitted there have been unexplained encounters between the US military and mystery objects – such as the infamous TicTac.

And while the report, which analyzed 144 sightings, did not explicitly spell out a possible alien connection – it did not rule it out either as the mystery continues.

Haines appeared to crack the door open even further for a possible alien link at the event where she spoke alongside NASA chief Bill Nelson, leading expert Professor Avi Loeb, and the world's second-richest man Jeff Bezos.

And she admitted there remains things about the strange encounters which the intelligence community simply does not understand – highlighting the need for more investigation.

“The main issues that Congress and others have been concerned about is safety of flight concerns and counterintelligence issues,” the DNI told the forum.

“Always there’s also the question of ‘is there something else that we simply do not understand, which might come extraterrestrially?’ she said.

Haines appeared to hesitate when mentioning the world “extraterrestrially”.

But she has now become the most senior person in the intelligence community to hint at an alien link.

The DNI acknowledged there needs to be better reporting structures put in place so UFOs – now more commonly called UAPs (Unidentified Aerial Phenomena) in the intelligence community – can be properly investigated.

US officials are believed to be in the process of setting up a permanent office to probe these phenomena.

The stunning and unexplained encounters have gone beyond blurry photos to highly detailed incidents involving US warships and warplanes being recorded on multiple military grade instruments.

Haines said: “We were pretty sure that we were not going to get to characterise every single one of these [UAP reports] in the various categories that we identified, because frankly we weren’t able to understand everything about it.

“A large portion of that is based on the fact that we don’t have a consistent way of reporting this information – we need to integrate a lot of data that we get.”

She went on: “We need to get better at collecting information that’s useful to us from different sensors that are available to us.

“And we need to deepen our analysis in these areas, and that’s something that doesn’t surprise you in the way that we approach our intelligence work.”

She also predicted a vast acceleration in mankind’s relationship with space over the next decade.

And the DNI joked she would “get fired” if she told the forum what is the “coolest thing” that the intelligence services are doing in space.

Elsewhere at the two-hour-long event, the DNI warned there could be “colonial” conflicts in space between the US, Russia and China.

She said the US is “committed to protecting access to and explore space for a variety of nations”.

She added: “We recognize how important this is to our collective human prosperity.”

Meanwhile, Blue Origin and Amazon boss Bezos laid out his vision for mankind’s future in space.

He shrugged off criticism of his own exploits in the orbit, which have been derided as “joyrides” after he sent Star Trek star William Shatner into space.

Bezos sketched out a vision where man becomes a true space-faring species – warning if we do not head for the stars then the Earth will be totally “strip-mined” of its resources.

He speculated about giant solar farms in space that could solve humanity’s energy problems and manmade space colonies.

However, on the alien issue – Bezos expressed doubt that Earth has been visited by “extrasolar intelligences”.

US lawmakers commissioned the Pentagon UFO report after a stunning string of leaked videos that showed military encounters with objects such as the infamous “Tic Tac”.

It marked an incredible turnaround after the government dismissed UFOs at the conclusion of Project Blue Book in the 1960s.

The report admits the encounters could be previously unknown aircraft from China, Russia or even a “non government” terror group.

But it crucially did not rule out an extraterrestrial, or perhaps even extradimensional, origin for the encounters.

The debate which was for decades considered a fringe and damaging topic is now being openly spoken about by very senior figures, including former President Bill Clinton and Barack Obama.

It comes as Pentagon whistleblower Lue Elizondo – who ran the US’s previous UFO investigation unit – hinted that pilots may have suffered warped time and radiation burns during encounters with the phenomena.



Two "flying saucers" were seen in the skies over Lima on Friday August 1, 1952.

W. M. Stevenson, living about 5 1/2 mile east of Lima on Route 81, told highway patrolmen he spotted what he described as two saucer-shaped objects in the sky above his farm at about 2:30 p.m. Friday afternoon.

"One was high overhead, going west, " Stevenson told patrolman Dwight Carey. "A plane approached and the object changed direction and headed northwest. About that time another object came into view behind the first one. Then they both flew out of sight."

Carey said he relayed the report to District A headquarters, Findlay.

Source: *The Lima News*, August 2, 1952.



UFO Debris From Various Alleged Crash Sites Is Being Studied In A Stanford Lab

By Douglas Charles
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(<https://brobible.com/culture/article/ufo-debris-south-america-studied-stanford-lab>)

A professor of microbiology and pathology at Stanford University is currently investigating and analyzing alleged UFO artifacts.

The professor says he got into studying UFOs when he was approached by people representing the government and an aerospace corporation.

Debris from several UFO cases dating back to 1947 is now being studied by Dr. Gary Nolan at the Nolan Lab at Stanford University. (Yes, the lab is named after him, so you know he's good.)

In a recent interview with KQED, Nolan discussed how he got involved in UFO studies and what he's currently working on with his research.

Nolan says he first got involved working on UFOs when he "was approached by some people representing the government and an aerospace corporation to help them understand the medical harm that had come to some individuals, related to supposed interactions with an anomalous craft."

I wonder if they were wearing black suits, white shirts and Ray-Bans. Not that he would remember. Neuralyzers and all that...

Currently, Nolan is working on alleged artifacts from UFOs, including some from a case previously worked on by famous UFO researcher Jacques Vallee.

"You can think of it as almost like investigative forensics," Nolan explained. "Somebody claims something happened or didn't happen. And so you use whatever psychological or scientific means to investigate and document the case."

"And in the case of some of these materials, they're almost all metals that are claimed to have either been dropped by these UAPs, or somehow left behind."

"In the case of *Trinity*, two boys got into what they claimed is a craft and took a piece of it. And they've kept it since 1945."

"I come to it with no preconceptions. I come to it with, well, here's how you do the analysis. Am I the best person to do the analysis? No. Absent an actual metallurgist stepping in, I'm willing to do the groundwork, to get preliminary results that might interest a sufficiently expert metallurgist to go the next step."

Nolan is or has also been working on UFO debris cases from Colombia and Argentina as well as an alleged 1945 UFO crash in New Mexico

"The things that interest me the most are the cases where there are claimed changes in the isotope ratios of given elements," said Nolan. "The point I've always made is we don't know why you would do that in the first place, because it's expensive. And so if somebody is engineering isotope ratios for a practical purpose, I'd like to understand why, because that would be evidence of an understanding of material science that we don't currently possess."

Despite the "usual giggles" from some of his colleagues regarding his UFO studies, Nolan says, "I think the crux of the whole issue here is: Why are we afraid of talking about it?"

"It's interesting that suddenly in the last year this has come to national attention. We train these pilots for tens of millions of dollars, and we entrust them with multimillion dollar pieces of equipment. Now people are coming to me who kind of giggled in the past, and they're saying, 'Gary, it looks like you might have been right. I'm really interested in this. Can you tell me more?' It's a little bit more open now, and that's a good thing. And if it is disproven, ultimately, I'm perfectly fine with that."

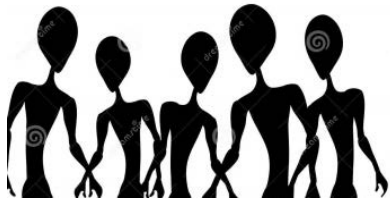
Nolan also added that he isn't alone. There are dozens of scientists currently working on various UFO cases. They just aren't as public with it as he is.

Science News reports that Nolan has studied some of this alleged UFO debris using a machine that enables scientists to look at the atomic structure of a selected material.

The process, called Multiplexed Ion Beam Imaging (MIBI), revealed that the composition of the debris was unlike any currently known metal.

"If you're talking about an advanced material from an advanced civilization you're talking about something that I'll just call an ultra material." said Nolan. "It's something which has properties where somebody is putting it together again at the atomic scale. We're building our world with 80 elements, somebody else is building the world with 253 different isotopes."

The truth is out there.



Scientist Reveals Why We'll Make Contact With Aliens By End Of Century

By Dominic Smithers
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Dr. Michio Kaku

A scientist believes that humans will make contact with aliens by the end of the century. Dr. Michio Kaku, of US TV series *Ancient Aliens*, has said that following the recent leak of UFO footage from the US military, it's likely that aliens do exist.

Speaking to TMZ, the 74-year-old said there are only two explanations for the footage - that it's proof of secret government weaponry, or proof of life beyond.

He said: "I think it can no longer be ruled out, the question of extra-terrestrial visitation. It used to be that only crackpots, hucksters, and people who saw something because they were in a drunken haze.

"They were the people that most people thought were the ones saying they had encountered a flying saucer.

"I think we have to take them seriously. I'm a physicist. We believe in things that are testable, reproducible and falsifiable.

"In the past they couldn't be tested, it was just an eye-witness account, but now we have videotapes from the United States military, physicists have now analysed these graphs, frame by frame, and we realise that no known commercial or military vehicle can reproduce the gyrations and the velocity of these objects.

"Either they are secret military weapons, like hypersonic drones, or they're from outer space."

And Dr. Kaku says that with our species advancing rapidly, becoming more adept at recognising signs of life, it's only a matter of time before we come into contact with an extra-terrestrial civilisation.

He explained: "I think that there's a good likelihood that, in this century, we'll make contact with an alien civilisation. And how do we know this? Because we're getting better at scanning planets in outer space for radio signals.

"So I would expect that if they're that advanced, that they could reach the Earth from outer space, they are probably thousands of years ahead of us in technology, in which case we're like squirrels to them.

"What do we have to offer? Gold? No, gold is a rather useless metal for an extra-terrestrial. We really have nothing to offer them and if anything, they've been observing us for many

years, and if they wanted to make contact, they would have done so decades ago."

And for those people who claim to be beamed up by an alien spaceship in the future, Dr. Kaku has just one request.

"The next time you are kidnapped by a flying saucer, for God's sake, steal something," he says.

"I don't care if it's an alien chip, an alien paperclip, steal something.

"There's no law against stealing from an extra-terrestrial civilisation, no law whatsoever, and you'll have bragging rights, something that we can test in the laboratory.

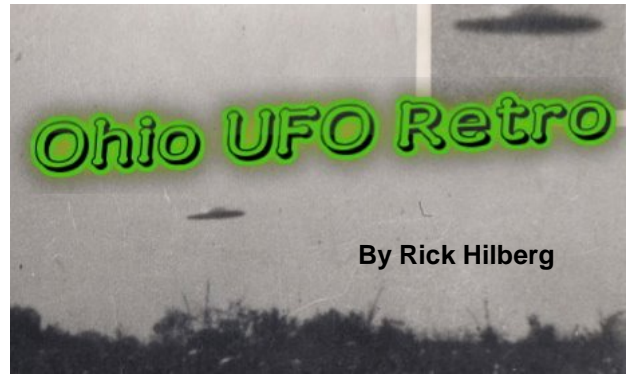
"That would end the debate right then and there."

Dr. Kaku's comments come after footage leaked from the US military was confirmed by the Pentagon as being real.

In the clip, shot back in 2019, three pyramid-shaped UFOs, can be seen hovering over the USS Russell.



Credit: US Navy



On May 17, 1964 a fiery object, maneuvering at low altitude, was seen from Wooster and Smithville at 9:10 p.m., then from Lawrence and Burbank between 9:25 p.m. and 9:30.

The strange object flew in an erratic manner and made a whirring sound accompanied by rapid changes of color. Reports indicated that it also caused interference on several police radios in the vicinity where it was sighted, hindering communication.

It eventually lost altitude northwest of Burbank where it seemed to witnesses that it was preparing to make a landing. The suspect area was later checked by investigators from the Akron UFO Research Society who reported higher than normal levels of radioactivity.

Source: Akron UFO Research Society report from 1964.

