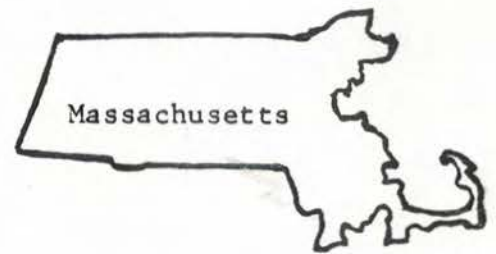


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MEMBERSHIP AND ORGANIZATION

Membership

The membership list is enclosed. Currently, we have 33 members and 8 local consultants. We have approximately 24 investigators, although not all of those are active.

Meetings

Meetings are held on the second Saturday evening of every month at a central location in Belmont, Ma.. Programs for meetings vary, but generally include either a guest speaker, a film or videotape, or a discussion of cases under investigation. Programs for meetings over the past year have included such topics as: Report on the Symposium at Toronto; Guest Speaker, Dr. John Randolph Adams, neurologist (and witness to a UFO sighting); Report on the Kirtland documents; videotape of "The UFO Experience"; Discussion of Cases; a demonstration of an actual hypnosis session with an alleged abductee; Ray Fowler's UFO slide-tape presentation; Training Sessions for Field Investigator Trainees.

Newsletters

Monthly newsletters are printed and distributed to members at meetings. These are intended to keep members abreast of news in the local and national fields of UFOlogy, and, in particular, within the MUFON organization. Two sample copies are enclosed. To date 10 issues have been printed.

Field Investigator Trainees' Training Sessions

During the meetings in October, November, and December, of 1982, a portion of each monthly meeting was devoted to a training session for new investigators. Topics covered included such things as: interviewing the witness; filling out forms; documenting the sighting; writing the report; questioning during a hypnosis session; working in teams; taking measurements, compass readings, etc.; taking soil samples; etc.

In accordance with the new Mass. MUFON Policies, future training sessions will be conducted by the Section Directors for their respective field investigator trainees.

Officers and Section Directors

Officers

State Director.....Mrs. Marge Christensen
Special Advisor.....Mr. Joseph Santangelo
Treasurer.....Mr. Fred Chaffee
Historian.....Mr. Barry Greenwood

State Section Directors

<u>County</u>	<u>Name</u>
Essex	Mrs. Linda Seal
Middlesex	Mr. Barry Greenwood
Norfolk	Mr. Arthur Lawless
Suffolk	Mr. Paul Smythe
Worcester	Mr. Jules Vaillancourt

UFO HOTLINE
617-944-0686

Telephone Hotline

A 24-hour UFO telephone hotline is maintained by our Mass. MUFON organization. The number has been distributed to the media and the various police departments.

PUBLIC INFORMATION ACTIVITIES

Radio and Television Appearances

Throughout the course of the year, Ray Fowler, Marge Christensen, Linda Seal, and Barry Greenwood appeared on the radio and television on talk show programs for the purpose of public information on the UFO subject. Also, Budd Hopkins appeared on a Boston talk show in Sept., as did Stanton Friedman, in February. In each case, after publicizing the hotline telephone number, we had calls from persons reporting cases.

Newspaper Coverage

Several members were interviewed by newspapers throughout the course of the year, and again, in many cases, after publication of the hotline telephone number, new cases were called in to the hotline.

Guest Speakers

Members have also served as guest speakers for a number of organizations and groups during the year. This is another area in which we are involved with public information.

Participation in Ideas Exchange Fair

Last October, Mass. MUFON participated in an Ideas Exchange Fair for educators from over 30 communities. At the MUFON display area, the videotape, "UFO's Are Real" was shown continually throughout the day, and several display posters and exhibits were available. Investigators were on hand to answer questions, and there were free materials available for visitors to the Fair. The MUFON-sponsored "Make Your Own 'E.T.' Contest" will be covered in the section of this report on Public Education. MUFON members who participated in the Fair were: Marge Christensen, Linda Seal, Jules Vaillancourt, Barry Greenwood, Robert Sampson, Joan Thompson, David Webb. Astronomer, Jack Eddy, of Boulder, Colorado was also on hand with the MUFON contingent.

Efforts Toward Improved Media Coverage of the UFO Subject

We have been in contact with a producer who is working on a documentary for PBS. The documentary (pending funding or sponsorship) will focus on the psychological appeal of such themes as close encounters of the third kind or E.T.. The producer, Mr. Fred Surr, attended our March meeting, and is planning to contact several of our members should the documentary materialize. He plans to interview several of these persons and to also borrow some of the govt. documents from Barry Greenwood. Mr. Surr found the "NOVA" program on UFO's extremely biased, and hopes that this documentary will do a great deal toward presenting an unbiased, objective overview of the subject.

MUFON Information Sheets

A few months ago, we compiled a MUFON information sheet which is intended to be given to witnesses in order to introduce MUFON to them and to make them feel at ease when the investigator contacts them. We found a need for this, as the information pages furnished by Seguin, Tx. are intended for perspective members, and the content is not appropriate for presenting to a witness. (copy enclosed)

PUBLIC EDUCATION ENDEAVORS

North Shore Community College Course- The UFO Phenomenon

During two semesters in 1982, Linda Seal and Marge Christensen taught an 8-week course in the non-credit Community Services Division of the local community college. Each semester about 20 persons enrolled in the course. These included computer programmers, former USAF personnel, teachers, engineers, a jet engine tester, an ophthalmic technician, a medical technologist, secretaries, and college personnel. The course included a broad overview of the UFO subject, and there were guest speakers, including: Ray Fowler, Joe Santangelo, David Webb, Barry Greenwood, and Bob Sampson.

A syllabus for the course was advertised in the MUFON Journal, and was ordered by MUFON members in about 15 states. The course will be offered again in the fall.

S.E.A. Program- Salem State College (for gifted youngsters, ages 10-14)

A three-week course (daily) entitled "SPACE INVADERS?" was taught by Marge Christensen and Linda Seal at Salem State College in the Starting Early at Salem State Program in the summer of 1982, and will be offered again in 1983. Twenty youngsters took the course and learned about famous UFO cases, and techniques of investigation. They also learned to take distance measurements and to measure elevation angles, and to use compasses. They hoaxed some very convincing UFO photographs, and learned how photoanalysis would reveal that they were hoaxed. They visited Ray Fowler's planetarium for the UFO program, and also used the telescope to view the visible planets and their moons. They utilized research techniques, invented constellations and myths to explain them, as well as analyzed foreign language newspapers to view the world from the eyes of an extraterrestrial who could not read English. The course was very popular and evidently successful. The syllabus for this course has been sent to 12 states.

Planned Summer Program for North Shore Gifted & Talented Education

A three-week summer program on UFO's is being offered by the North Shore GATE organization, and will be pending sufficient enrollment. The course will be taught by Marge Christensen if there is enough enrollment.'

After-School Workshops on UFO's for Hamilton-Wenham School System

In January, 1983, Marge Christensen taught two after-school workshops on UFO's for students in a special enrichment program in the Hamilton-Wenham schools. Both parents and youngsters attended these workshops, and appeared to find them interesting.

Make Your Own 'E.T.' Contest

Mass. MUFON sponsored a contest for students in grades 4-12 to make original models of extraterrestrial life forms, accompanied by descriptions of conditions on their home planets. Over 50 entries for the contest were on display at the Ideas Exchange Fair in Oct., at Beverly High School, and the winners were announced at a ceremony. Winners were presented with E.T. posters, bumper stickers, free Sack Theatres movie passes, and the winner in the grades 9-12 age bracket was presented a copy of the Symposium Proceedings from the MUFON Symposium at M.I.T., in 1981. This was furnished by Walt Andrus, together with copies of Len Stringfield's Status Report 2, which were distributed to the MUFON investigators who served as judges at the contest. They were: David Webb, Jules Vaillancourt, Barry Greenwood,

PUBLIC EDUCATION(Continued)

Guest Speakers in the Schools

Over the past year several MUFON members including: Joe Santangelo, Joanne Bruno, Linda Seal, Bob Sampson, Marge Christensen, and Ray Fowler have served as guest speakers in the public schools and private schools in a number of communities in the Boston area and in the surrounding areas. Joanne Bruno gave a series of lectures in several of the Boston Public Schools. Marge Christensen spoke to the high school astronomy classes in Beverly High School, as well as to the entire 6th grade (200 students) and the entire 8th grade (200 students) in one of Beverly's middle schools. Marge also addressed 150 parents and youngsters at a school fundraiser to raise money for the students' week-long field trip to Nature's Classroom. Linda Seal addressed students in Beverly's other middle school, while Bob Sampson addressed students in the Gloucester Public Schools.

It is our sincere hope to continue to pursue public education as well as public information efforts on a state-wide basis so that we will have an informed and educated citizenry, who will look upon the UFO subject seriously and objectively.

CASES INVESTIGATED

Cases

In 1982, there were 14 cases investigated in Massachusetts. Three of these were in Middlesex County, and eleven of these were in Essex County.

Of the Middlesex County cases, one turned out to be a hoax; one case was reported, but when investigators attempted to contact the witness, they discovered that the phone had been disconnected, so further follow-up was not possible, and the third case involved the presence of entities, but no UFO. After one interview, the witness decided that he did not wish further investigation.

In Essex County, three of the cases turned out to be IFO's. One sighting involved a multiple light cluster and remains unidentified. Another involved a saucer-shaped object with a bluish halo, and still remains unidentified. A cylindrical object emitting a light beam was reported by two separate witnesses in Gloucester, Ma., and that object still remains unidentified. A Superintendent of Schools reported a circular object with an attached blinking light, and this object remains unidentified. One case investigated involved a sighting in Maine, and the saucer-shaped object reported is still unidentified, but ^{it} is partially due to insufficient information about a definite date of the sighting. An interesting case involved a couple (husband and wife) who witnessed a boomerang-shaped object and two oblong objects concurrently. This sighting has not been identified yet either. The final case is one that has been under investigation and is nearing completion now. It involves a series of alleged abductions and a very incredible story of the witness's experiences at another "place?"

1983 has brought a new crop of cases, including some involving the presence of entities. These are still under investigation, and reports on these will be forthcoming. One ^{case} involving an entity has been submitted to MUFON Hdqtrs. by the Norfolk County Section Director already.

Computer File

A computer file listing the cases, dates of sightings, locations of sightings, investigators, and a brief description of the cases, is being maintained by Dave Christensen. Section Directors are asked to submit completed forms monthly for cases in their counties so that we are able to determine at any time if any one investigator is overloaded with investigative work and needs help, while someone else has a light case-load. It also enables us to ensure that all cases are investigated and that reports are submitted for all cases which involve unknowns. For IFO's we maintain a separate written file.

MASS. MUFON POLICIES

A copy of our policies for our local Mass. MUFON organization is enclosed.

RESOURCES

Clipping Service

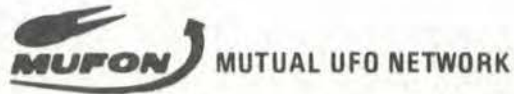
Recently, as a result of the increasingly exorbitant cost of the weekly clipping service, which has been borne solely by Barry Greenwood up to this point, it was decided that those members who were able to do so would make monthly contributions to support the clipping service. This has enabled us to contribute \$50 monthly to the cost of the service. This is approximately 50% of the monthly fee. The service has proved to be a very valuable asset in the past, and we feel strongly that it is important to ensure its continued existence as one of our resources.

Microfilm Reader

We have recently provided Barry Greenwood, our Historian, with a microfilm reader, so we are now able to easily read the 140,000 pages of Project Bluebook files which Barry has on microfilm, as well as the NICAP files which Barry also has on microfilm. This is a valuable addition to Barry's extensive collection of UFO materials. Barry probably has the most extensive, if not one of the most extensive collections of UFO materials (tapes, slides, movies, videotapes, filmstrips, books, hardcover as well as paperbacks, clippings, case reports, govt. documents, correspondence, theses, publications, periodicals in a multitude of foreign languages as well as English, astronomy information, etc., etc., etc.) in the U.S.A.

Proposed Computerized Listing of All Resources

In order to provide researchers and investigators with quick and easy access to this incredible collection of data in Barry's collection, it has been proposed that we utilize our members' expertise in the area of computer programming and systems analysis, and compile a file of all of the items stored in Barry's mini "UFO Smithsonian Institution." We are currently working on this project which will undoubtedly be a lengthy one involving many man-hours, but will result in a useful tool upon completion.



The Mutual UFO Network, Inc. is an international scientific organization, comprised of people seriously interested in researching the UFO phenomenon by combining their mutual talents, areas of expertise, and investigative efforts. MUFON's administrative staff is assisted by its International Coordinator and Foreign Liaison Representatives as well as its vast network of State Directors, Provincial Directors, State Section Directors, Consultants, Staff, and Field Investigators. MUFON has volunteered its support and cooperation to the Center for UFO Studies, as a field investigating team. The Center for UFO Studies, under the direction of Dr. J. Allen Hynek, former Consultant to the United States Air Force (on UFO's), is a free association of scientists, engineers, and other professionals.

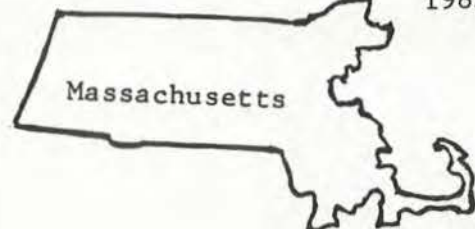
MUFON's Board of Consultants, most of whom are PhD's or MD's, representing 45 areas of science, technology, medicine, psychology, psychiatry, engineering, communications, political science, photo analysis, etc., are readily available as an advisory group to apply their expertise to UFO cases under study and to conduct advanced research in their respective fields.

MUFON annually sponsors an International UFO Symposium, where internationally known scientists, engineers, and authors lecture on their particular specialization or contributions to resolving this perplexing scientific dilemma. In 1981, Massachusetts hosted the annual MUFON UFO Symposium, which was held at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

MUFON Field Investigators investigate sighting reports from police agencies, as well as those received by the Center for UFO Studies hotline, and from the National UFO Reporting Center in Seattle, Washington. Some states have state hotlines as well. In Massachusetts, the MUFON hotline telephone number is 944-0686. Since MUFON is the largest and most extensive network of UFO field investigators, this cooperative effort has been mutually beneficial to all involved.

In order that only qualified, competent, and sincere people may become involved, membership in MUFON is by invitation only. Field investigators are trained, and high standards of professionalism are required by MUFON. As objective, scientific researchers, MUFON field investigators uphold the confidentiality of witnesses and case information. MUFON investigators are volunteers who conduct research at their own expense, and attempt to document sighting information in a thorough, unbiased manner. Access to large data banks in computers aids MUFON investigators in analyzing data derived from cases.

In most sighting investigations, the actual investigative process involves a telephone interview with the witness, followed by an in-depth personal interview during which time forms will be completed, sketches of the object sighted will be requested, and compass readings, or photographs of the location of the sighting may be taken. The investigator will then attempt to document the details of the sighting, and to attempt to identify the object sighted. In approximately 85% of the cases, the object is able to be identified. In the remainder of the cases, the sighting will be listed as an unidentified flying object, and further research will be involved.



POLICIES OF MASS. MUFON

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:

Persons submitting applications for membership in MUFON shall be required to submit in writing a résumé, with references, as well as a letter detailing reasons for desiring to join MUFON. Their applications will be forwarded to their respective State Section Directors, who will interview the applicants, and then make their recommendation to the State Director, who will then notify MUFON Hdqtrs. in Seguin, Texas of our recommendation regarding the particular applications.

ATTENDANCE AT MUFON MEETINGS:

Attendance at Mass. MUFON meetings is restricted to members and their guests only. Guests must be accompanied by members.

FIELD INVESTIGATORS:

Field investigators will be properly trained by State Section Directors, and will be accompanied on investigations by experienced investigators until they gain a reasonable amount of experience. Investigators are required to adhere to the guidelines in the Field Investigator's Manual, and to exhibit the highest degree of professionalism at all times. Field investigators are encouraged to draw upon the various backgrounds and variety of areas of expertise of the other members of the group for assistance and advice. In all cases in which thorough investigation results in labeling an object as an "unknown" or in more complex cases, such as abduction cases or trace cases, the investigator or investigative team is required to submit a report on the case, which adheres to the format stated in the manual. Simply completing forms or tapes of interviews is not acceptable.

In the distribution of cases, it is expected that qualified field investigators will accept cases assigned to them unless there are extenuating circumstances which prevent them from doing so. Persons who consistently refuse to accept new cases will be notified that they will be dropped from the ranks of field investigators.

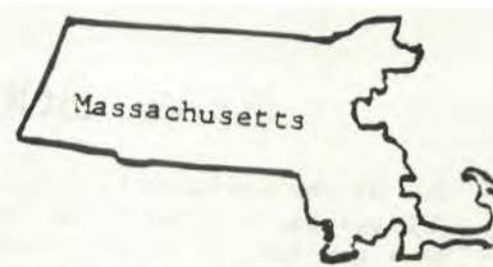
CASE DISCUSSIONS AT MEETINGS:

It is recognized that there is much value in discussing cases during meetings in order to offer a learning experience for all of us. Case discussions at meetings shall preserve the confidentiality of all witnesses, however, and shall not divulge names or addresses or telephone numbers of witnesses. Locations and dates of sightings may be used for identification purposes.

I understand the above policies of Mass. MUFON, and agree to abide by them.

Signature of Member or Applicant,

Date



NEWSLETTER

Issue #10

June, 1983

UFO DOCUMENTARY?

Another UFO documentary? Could this be possible? It now seems certain that 1984 will be the Year of the UFO Documentary. Larry Fawcett has lined up a 6-part UFO documentary, already funded. Linda Howe will be involved in a documentary regarding 1975 overflights of UFOs over military bases in the U.S. Locally, we will be possibly having some input into another UFO documentary which will be put up for bid to the networks. And then there's that rumor about the Pentagon having its own UFO documentary in the can and all ready to be released...

Thus, when another television producer called Dave Webb and Marge Christensen at the end of May to arrange for an interview because he is considering producing a one-hour program on abduction cases, both MUFON members were somewhat amazed. The producer, Arnold Shapiro, of Hollywood, California, is the producer of the acclaimed television documentary, "Scared Straight," and commented that he has one Academy Award and several Emmy Awards, since his documentaries are all credible. He had interviewed Budd Hopkins and Dr. Aphrodite Clamar in N.Y. prior to his visit to Boston. He seemed very positively impressed with the persons he interviewed, and even made the comment that Dave Webb and Marge Christensen are two of the most credible persons he has interviewed in the UFO field. However, he seemed to want something none of us were able to provide him, and that is proof that UFO abductions are real. We are scheduled to meet to discuss the matter further in Pasadena during the Symposium. If anything definite materializes regarding this possible documentary, we will keep everyone up to date at the July meeting.

MUFON UFO SYMPOSIUM

MASSACHUSETTS DELEGATES SELECTED

At the May meeting of the Massachusetts chapter of the Mutual UFO Network, the following persons were selected by the members to represent Massachusetts at the 1983 MUFON International Symposium, in Pasadena, California, on July 1,2,3:

Mrs. Marge Christensen- State Director
Mr. David Christensen- member
Mr. Joseph Santangelo- former State Dir.
(Amateur Radio Dir).
Mrs. Diana Santangelo- member
Mrs. Linda Seal- Essex County Section
Director

At the July meeting, these delegates will present a report on the Symposium proceedings.

COMPUTER

A Computer Discussion was held at 7:00 p.m. just prior to our May meeting. It was decided at that time that we will attempt to follow a realistic approach in compiling two computer files for our Mass. MUFON organization. One file will list all of the resources available at our historian's archives (i.e., books, periodicals, tapes, slides, movies, videotapes, film-strips, folders of pamphlets, documents, records, microfilm, etc., etc., etc.). These will not go into any great depth of detail regarding the contents of the items on the file. The second file will list all of our Massachusetts UFO cases on file, and these will be able to be sorted according to several different items. Joe Santangelo and Bob Gildea are coordinating this ambitious endeavor.

Happy Summer!

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Benjaminson, Frank & Sylvia	481 4777
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Brown, Nancy P.	526 7662
Bruno, Joanne	488 5475
Chaffee, Fred & Marie	484 4058
Christensen, Marge & David	922 6406
D'Aveta, Ruth L.	231 0548
Downs, David	222 7326
Finnimore, John R.	927 0827
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Fowler, Raymond (Margaret)	468 4815
Frizzell, Bill & Del	443 2736
Gildea, Robert A. J.	646 8528
Giordano, Rick	361 3930
Greene, Ben Jr	964 2737
Greenwood, Barry	438 5187
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Lawless, Arthur E.	265 2328
Marden, Marion	623 1221
Melesciuc, James R.	322 6208
Miner, David	297 2364
Nestor, Joan N.	744 1259
Neurath, Virginia	729 3375
Nyman, Joseph & Joan	359 8596
Randolph, Evan	526 7060
Sampson, Robert	283 2528
Santangelo, Joe & Diana	944 2456
Seal, Linda	927 2060
Sheehan, Merlyn & Joe	843 0343
Smythe, Paul	267 5559
Taylor, Robert & Marian	263 7528
Triebes, Priscilla H.	526 4410
Vaillancourt, Jules & Debbie	827 5932
Webb, David (Mary)	272 7617

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