



## WA MUFON Investigative Team



Each issue profiles a member of our award-winning investigative team.

**Cherie De Sues**, Field investigator, joined the US Navy after receiving an Associate degree in biology. She then took military classes to become a First Assistant and Surgical PA. When she was honorably discharged, Cherie worked in California hospitals with surgeons from many disciplines. Her experience with armed forces trauma,



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### What is MUFON?

MUFON is a non-profit volunteer organization established in 1969. It is the world's oldest and largest UFO Investigative and Research organization comprised of individuals who seek the truth about UFOs.

### MUFON's Goals

- Investigate UFO sightings and collect data for use of researchers worldwide.
- Promote research on UFOs to discover the true nature of the phenomenon.

orthopedics and cardio-vascular surgeries made Cherie a candidate for new evolving breakthrough procedures like open-heart surgery and organ transplants.

Cherie continued her education over the years to hold higher degrees in Biology and Health Sciences as well as minoring in Earth Science.

Her interest in astronomy came with a move to the mountains and a Meade 12.5-inch Cassegrain telescope with motor drive and camera. That was when very few satellites existed, and unidentified flying objects were often seen. While living in the Sequoia National Forest, she received her pilots license for small aircraft that allowed her to land in obscure places to research and visit ancient cities.



Cherie then attended the Argosy University in California to receive a doctorate in Health Sciences. Cherie then went on to teach and manage 250 students at a University as the Director of the Surgical Technology degree program.

She later worked with the San Diego Archeology Association where Cherie went on dinosaur and native American digs in the California desert. During a hiatus to rehabilitate an injury while skiing, Cherie wrote numerous military thrillers and suspense novels that became best sellers internationally. When the novels became available in audio, hardcover and digital she went on the road attending many book conventions, radio shows and TV spots. Cherie promoted her books until she was able to work again and that novelist chapter was closed.



In retirement, Cherie has chosen to work with MUFON to bring more awareness to UFOs, UAPs and USOs. She believes a MUFON field investigators work is important and talks frequently about UFOs on a radio show she cohosts called, Strange Harbor broadcasted all over Grays Harbor and beyond in Washington.

Most days you can find Cherie refinishing her Victorian home in Hoquiam where her dog Reilly keeps her company as she paints watercolors for upscale linens and wallpaper at Spoonflower.

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## WA MUFON Meetings / Events

**November 21. Special event via ZOOM from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Pacific Time.** "The Ariel School UFO Encounter, Ruwa, Zimbabwe," a presentation by Salma Siddick, one of the school children there.



In 1994, approximately 60 students at a school in Zimbabwe reported seeing a UFO near their school yard, and a 'strange being' who communicated with them. Each child independently drew a picture of what they saw. Their pictures and stories are remarkably similar. Salma Siddick was one of those students. According to the students the 'being' warned them to take care of the environment.

Salma is a believer in equal justice for all. Her work stems from the belief that every person is powerful in their own right and with a supportive community anything can be achieved.

For more [information and tickets](#) (donation of as little as \$1.00\*) about the event, click on WA MUFON's website: <http://www.wamufon.org> or our Facebook site: <https://www.facebook.com/MUFON.Washington/>

\*Covers fee of cloud storage and Zoom costs Reminder emails and registration information will be sent before the event.

**July 23rd -25th, 2021. [2021 International MUFON Symposium](#)**, Las Vegas, NV. "UAPs: Military and Government Witnesses Speak OUT!"

**Anomalies Podcast.** [Controversial Science Anomalies](#) Podcast hosted by WA MUFON's Dan Hall & David Jinks.

**Strange Harbor** -We talk about the weird! A terrestrial radio program featuring extra-terrestrial topics like UFO's, cryptozoology, NDE (near death experience), ghosts, conspiracy and more.

[Strange Harbor](#) airs Sundays at 4PM on **1450 AM** and **100.5 FM** KBKW. Cherie De Sues and Johnny Manson interview local and well-known researchers, witnesses and experiencers on topics like UFO's, alien abduction, near death experiences, ghosts, cryptozoology, conspiracies and other "strange" topics. Kathleen Wyer will be joining Strange Harbor on November 4th.



## Mass Media and the Military: Messengers of UFO Disclosure or Masters of Deception?

[This month's commentary continues to explore notable changes regarding what appears to be a trend towards UFO transparency—a perceived step forward which may be, on closer analysis, a step backwards. Are the U.S. Navy's new guidelines for reporting unidentified aerial phenomena (UAP) an official government acknowledgement that UFOs exist? Or is this so-called disclosure we've all been waiting for a stealth strategy? Has the government begun framing pilot encounters as threatening to get public support to further weaponize space? -Everything bolded or in italics is the author's emphasis - Maurene Morgan]

You'd have to be living on another planet not to have heard the bombshell news stories in recent times: UFOs are real! After decades of deriding or ignoring the UFO phenomenon, *The New York Times* started the ball rolling with its December 2017 front-page article, "Glowing Auras and 'Black Money': The Pentagon's Mysterious U.F.O. Program." This alleged secret Pentagon program called AATIP —Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program was funded by Congress to research and investigate UFOs. *The Times* even linked the now infamous Tic Tac video on their YouTube site.

Ufologists were ecstatic as related revelations and developments came thick and fast. In April 2019, the US Navy announced they would establish new guidelines for pilots and other military personnel to report encounters with UFOs. A Navy spokesman said it was in response to increased sightings of unknown, advanced aircraft flying into or near Navy strike groups or other sensitive military facilities. Some media greeted this disclosure with seriousness, while others sounded dismissive or denigrating to me, with headlines like, "Aliens Ahoy!" or images of little green men.



Soon after, the Pentagon verified that AATIP did research and investigate unidentified aerial phenomena or UAPs; what the public refers to as UFOs.

The Navy then declassified videos released by various sources to the public over the past several years and confirmed that they do indeed show UAPs.

On June 15, 2019, the online journal, *Politico*, reported that President Trump had been briefed on Navy sightings of UFOs, and a few days later, a group of Senators also received classified briefings.

The UFO revelation spigot kept flowing. A year later in June 2020, *Politico* reported that the Senate Intelligence Committee voted to require U.S. intelligence agencies and the Defense Department to compile a detailed analysis of all data collected on UAPs, including encounters recorded by Navy pilots in recent years.

Is it time for ufologists to dance in the streets? Or should we be suspicious more may be going on here than meets the casual eye?

Looking back at the September WA MUFON newsletter, I suggested there was a common theme of 'threat' underlying the barrage of UFO-related media coverage. In the October issue, I suggested the Navy's new guidelines may be an evasive ploy to get rid of the troublesome acronym UFO and replace it with UAP. By changing UFO to UAP, 70 years of alleged government lies, misinformation, disinformation, and coverups that began with the CIA-backed Robertson Report in 1953 could be forgotten—along with claims UFOs weren't investigated because they represented no threat to national security. You may recall that the Panel

recommended a public education campaign to ‘prevent hysteria’ and reduce public interest in the subject, as well as monitoring civilian UFO groups. With the Robertson Panel Report, the government policy of UFO denial became official. They never had to talk about UFOs again.

What is the meaning of the unprecedented media UFO coverage and military revelations now taking place? One must ask if they are messengers of UFO disclosure or masters of deception? Or both?

The intent of this article is to explore possibilities surrounding these new developments.

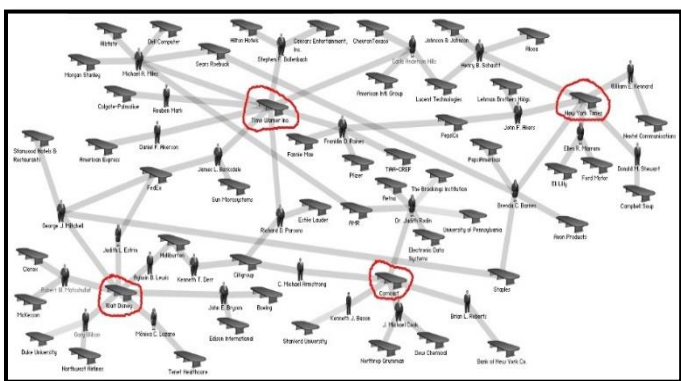
First, regarding Disclosure, one must be aware that the integrity of mainstream media regarding UFOs has been compromised since that 1953 Report. This is especially true when you consider that one of its most successful recommendations was to encourage people to react to UFO reports with ridicule. That strategy worked wonders! For decades, the public has largely dismissed UFO witnesses as ‘tin foil hat lunatics.

It may be enlightening to recall Carl Bernstein’s 1977 exposé in *Rolling Stone* Magazine called “The CIA and the Media: How America’s most powerful news media worked hand in glove with the Central Intelligence Agency.” In this eye-opening article, Bernstein, of Watergate fame, revealed the collusion between a burgeoning intelligence establishment and the elite media.

In his exposé, Carl Bernstein documented Pulitzer Prize winning journalists writing manipulative articles at the behest of the CIA for such elite media outlets as *The New York Times*, *CBS* and *Time, Inc.* If the government was doing this back in 1977—and they were—imagine how much more sophisticated they’ve become feeding us misinformation and disinformation to. Can our news sources be trusted?

Collusion is even more likely now. When Bernstein wrote his exposé more than 50 independent media companies owned the majority of media outlets within the United states. By 2011, 90% of the US media was controlled by six conglomerates: GE/Comcast, Disney, Viacom, Time Warner, CBS, and News Corp. A media conglomerate owns numerous companies involved in mass media enterprises; such as television, radio, publishing, motion pictures, theme parks, and/or the Internet.

Network diagram shows interlocks between four major media/telecom corporations: *The New York Times*, Disney, Times Warner Inc, and Comcast (circled in red) and their interlocking directorships; wherein a member of one company's board of directors also serves on another company's board or within another company's management.



Take News Corp’s holdings for example. They include Fox News, *New York Post*, *Wall Street Journal*, Dow Jones Information Services, financial publications such as *Barons* and *Market Watch*, and Twentieth Century Fox. News Corp provides services in 86 countries.

Rupert Murdoch, billionaire media mogul and Executive Chairman of News Corp, who is known for his conservative worldview, is arguably one of the most powerful people in the US and on Earth. Fox News reaches 91% of US households, and is ranked as

the most-watched network on basic cable. “Tucker Carlson Tonight”, a nightly political talk show on *Fox News*, appears to be one of the main pushers of UFO disclosure, reinforcing Fox’s dramatic TV news coverage. And the *New York Post* has an internet video series called the “Basement Office that purports to cover the UFO issue from every angle

Is Fox News’ robust UFO coverage merely profit-driven or is its coverage of UFO news evidence of a possible collusion between the government and media conglomerates? Note that News Corp influences the 1% via the

*Wall Street Journal* and Dow Jones, and the 99% via Fox News—covering all bases. It suggests that *FOX News* is not only shaping how Americans and the world views UFOs—but *all* issues.

While it's beyond the scope of this article to delve in the intricacies of corporate media shenanigans, let alone interlocking directorships, what should be apparent is that the citizenry has virtually no chance of receiving unfiltered information on *any topic* from virtually any mainstream media source.

So, is the government using the media to manipulate the public and ufologists into believing that disclosure about UFOs is imminent? Over the past 70 years the media has alternated between telling us the government position is that UFOs do not exist while occasionally telling us they do exist. UFOs weren't a threat and now they are—creating cognitive dissonance among ufologists and the public alike. The cognitive dissonance theory holds that people try to eliminate inconsistencies in their beliefs and will go to great lengths to do so. Ufologists don't want to believe the government when it says UFO don't exist; yet do believe them when they're told UFOs do exist.

Is Disclosure coming, or is it a carrot that has been dangling in front of us for decades? Instead of Disclosure, are we being fed misinformation and disinformation by the government via the media and even prominent players in ufology?

Let's move on to the US Navy guidelines: Is acknowledging a UFO presence a sneaky backdoor entrance to further weaponize space and increase military spending? Moreover, is it an opportunity to disclose all the advanced technology developed with a limitless black budget and the **\$21 trillion dollars** in unaccounted government transactions, primarily for defense. Questions abound. [For more information about the missing trillions, see Catherine Austen Fitts, publisher of the *Solari Report*]. While Congress squabbles over throwing the people a bone, it appears the military is getting the whole cow.

After 70 years of denying UFOs were a threat to national security, one must ask why the Navy is suddenly concerned about military encounters with UFO/UAP. Could this concern be tied to President Trump's establishment of a Space Force, the newest branch of the armed services? After all, President Trump signed an Executive Order reviving the National Space Council less than eight months before *The Times* article appeared, and unveiled the National Space Strategy three months later in March of 2018. The Strategy's intent is to prioritize American strength and competitiveness in the space environment.

On February 19, 2019, President Trump announced he had created a military Space Force focused on war in space.

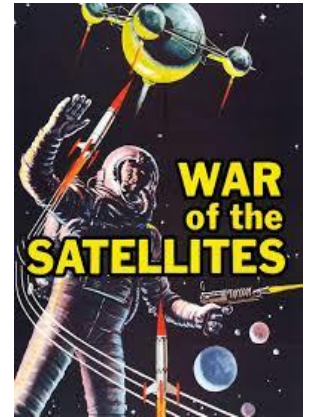
Soon after, on April 23, 2019. Online journal *Politico* reported, "U.S. Navy drafting new guidelines for reporting UFOs." According to Navy spokesmen, the move is in response to a series of sightings of unknown, highly advanced aircraft intruding on navy strike groups and other sensitive military formations and facilities." You must ask, "Why now?" Documented UFO incursions over sensitive facilities and restricted airspace and encounters with military aircraft has been taking place since the 1940's.

The new Space Force was officially launched on December 21, 2019. Trump described space as "the world's newest war-fighting domain" as he signed the 2020 National Defense Authorization Act.

In his 2020 State of the Union address, President Trump stated that "we must embrace the next frontier; America's manifest destiny is in the stars and colonizing the moon."

He recently signed an executive order called the Artemis Accords, stating America has the right to explore and use resources from outer space. The order also said the US did not see space as a common area for resources, and didn't need permission or international agreements to get started.

In Sept 2020, General Jay Raymond, head of the Air Force Space Command, reiterated President Trump's proclamation that "Space is a war fighting domain and we have to be prepared to fight a full range of operations." "...We clearly believe the U.S. must be able to wage war in space... He added, "Look at what China did in 2007. They shot down a satellite using ASAT [anti-satellite weapons]. We have to be able to be prepared to respond to that full range."



At a September 2020 Air Force Cyber Conference, US Defense Secretary, Mark Esper stated:

"... Moscow and Beijing... have weaponized space through **killer satellites**, directed energy weapons, and more in an effort to exploit our systems and chip away at our military advantage"

The Space Force won't come cheap. A report from the Congressional Budget Office estimates the proposed Space Force would cost up to \$3 billion up front, with some estimates of 15 billion over the next five years. Keep in mind that the US already spends more on the military than the next 10 countries *combined*.

Just to complicate the picture, NASA, which has close connections with the Department of Defense and CIA, is currently seeking companies to fly science experiments and cargo to the Moon ahead of a human landing. They're also pursuing mining contracts with corporations like SpaceX and Lockheed Martin. Does this portend a Lunar gold Rush; strip mining the Moon?



Is Space Force meant to defend the US against Russian or Chinese '**killer satellites**' or is it to protect commercial interests on the moon, Mars and beyond? But then, a few billion dollars to protect SpaceX or Lockheed is chump change compared to the **\$81 billion** the US spends every year to protect oil supplies around the world and keep fossil fuels flowing into American gas pumps... [according to think tank, Securing America's Future Energy]

This brings us back to the recent flurry of UFO-related news reports and military revelations. My original question was whether the mass media and military are messengers of UFO disclosure or masters of deception. Or both?

Few media pundits or ufologists seem to be asking "Why now?" Is there an underlying agenda that has little or nothing to do with actual 'disclosure'? If the government initiates the disclosure, what are the chances it will be partial at best? Worse, what if UFO disclosure is just a precursor for war under false pretenses; this time of interplanetary proportions? Are we being prepared for a possible hi-tech false flag ET invasion?

Perhaps we need to listen to those astute thinkers who have asked these questions:

Dr. Steven Greer, ufologist and founder of the Disclosure Project, has repeatedly warned the public that covert interests have been laying the foundation for a false flag alien threat and potential militaristic takeover of the Earth since shortly after WWII. Greer was likely referencing Eisenhower's 1961 Farwell address to the nation, in which he cautioned that: "...we must guard against the acquisition of unwarranted influence by the military-industrial complex..." [Eisenhower also warned about the dangers of massive spending, especially **deficit spending**.] and General Douglas MacArthur's 1955 Farwell address that expressed similar concerns: "I am concerned for the security of our great Nation; not so much because of any threat from without, but because of the insidious forces working from within."



More recently, former Canadian Defense Minister, Paul Hellyer, has echoed similar warnings about the “...deep state” power of the **military and weapons manufacturers** whose collective power is incalculable. ...their plan is an empire greater in size and power than any empire before it... It will end all government pretense of government of, by and for the people. It will be a dictatorship... of the privileged elite.”

This is exactly what rocket scientist Dr. Wernher von Braun told his assistant, Dr. Carol Rosin, before he died in 1977. According to Rosin, Von Braun predicted that first the Russians would be the enemy because they had “**killer satellites.**” Then it would be terrorists and “Nations of Concern.” Laughing, von Braun told her that we would then build space-based weapons against asteroids. And the funniest one of all was what he called the aliens, extraterrestrial enemy; the Big E. **That would be the final scare.**

Or, as Greer put it, “It will be “an attempt to unite the world through militarism ... using ET as the new cosmic scapegoat.” But was Greer merely restating Reagan’s 1987 UN speech on ‘alien threat’ . “

“I occasionally think how quickly our differences worldwide would vanish if we were facing an alien threat from outside this world. **And yet, I ask you, is not an alien force already among us? What could be more alien to the universal aspirations of our peoples than war and the *threat* of war?”**

For a final dose of reality for those who wish to stay in the cozy bubble our government and media have created for us, here’s a quote from Lt. Col. John B. Alexander, who has studied UFOs and the paranormal for decades. Alexander figures prominently in the 2004 movie, *The Men Who Stare at Goats*, about the US Army’s studies of military applications of the paranormal.

The December 1980 edition of the US Army’s *Military Review* featured an article written by Alexander entitled, “The New Mental Battlefield: Beam Me Up, Spock.”

In the article, he stated, “If it is possible to feed artificial thought into the multigenic field **via satellite**, the mind control of the entire planet is now possible. *An individual’s only resistance would be to constantly question the motivation behind their thoughts and not act upon thoughts which they consider to outside their own ideological, religious or moral boundaries.*”



Folks, these words were written 40 years ago! Think Starlink now. SpaceX has already launched 715 Starlink satellites, with plans to put 12,000 satellites in orbit and possibly expand to as many as 42,000. Is it possible that we are already entering a world in which both outer and inner space have become battlegrounds?

The image shows a Starlink ‘train’.

While on the surface the UFO disclosures seem so exciting, they could well be a part of a disinformation campaign. If the government initiates the disclosure, chances are it will be partial disclosure at best. Worse, it could be preparation for war of interplanetary proportions. It is important to see beneath the surface, and to educate ourselves about possible government and/or military deception regarding UFOs and media complicity. If there is one thing ufologists excel at, it’s looking outside the box to get to the truth of the matter.

Next month, the newsletter will feature divergent opinions on the issues discussed above. There will also be a report from Dan Nims on WA cases of interest and triangular UFOs. If space permits, the “UFO and ET in Ancient Art” section will return. – Maurene Morgan



## The Laughing Cure

Are we supposed to laugh or run for the bomb shelter?



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