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Letter From CPI Directors

We here at CPI have been concerned of late by the ever growing emphasis on the money making aspects of the paranormal field. This great country has always been for free enterprise, but we must not as true researchers let that override us in our quest for knowledge and in our ability to help others, just as we also should not forget the human factor in our field of study and too, we must never forget the fact that one cannot serve two masters. In the paranormal world, there now are many groups and organizations geared to make as much money as possible, in anyway possible, from the current fascination with all things paranormal. They offer ghost walks, ghost tours, haunted inns, expos, classes, not to mention the ghost tours and investigations offered by the TV shows and their celebrities....the list goes on and on. That's American enterprise, supply and demand. But we should always be very suspicious of anything involving money, for money has the capacity to corrupt absolutely. We must be on guard to not lose ourselves in our quest for true research by losing sight of what's really important. In the end, the TV shows will be gone one day when the ratings drop and many groups will dissolve as they lose interest. But the non profit researchers, will remain as the ones who are the truly dedicated.

CPI News

"Carolina Paranormal Investigations" (CPI) is proud to announce that it is now affiliated with "The American Institute for Paranormal Research" (AIPR). A national/international clearing house for paranormal research, reports and studies, as well as the future hub of a network of like-minded groups that are there to help people with their questions and concerns related to all things paranormal and to extend knowledge in this same field of study. They also will seek to assist people and organizations with any problems of a paranormal/supernatural nature. Like CPI, AIPR is also a non-profit company. Please feel free to contact us at 864 209 8041 with any questions or paranormal reports you may have or to learn more about this great organization and its expanding outreach. They have a Facebook page and their website will soon be up. Exciting things are ahead in the future!



AIPR Facebook Page:

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If you have a case or questions please email our Case Leader at dcarroll@carolina-paranormal-investigations.net.

Send your inquiries and experiences to our editor at cpinews@carolina-paranormal-investigations.net.

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Your Experiences

I wanted to share a story being that of my truly unexplainable experience. I am a police officer, however, I cannot say where. My partner and I went to a private residence for an alarm. As we got there we saw that the front door had the dead bolt engage but was partially cracked and standing open. We were told that no one would be home and that no one should be inside. The residence was not very old but once inside it was interesting to find old antique furniture, several paintings, and fixtures. My partner and I cleared the entire residence to ensure that no one had broken in. We were thinking the entire time that we were going to be surprised and catch someone who wasn't supposed to be there. We continued thinking this even after clearing the home. We shared the same feeling as though we were being watched. After being in this profession for while you learn to use what can only be described as a sixth sense, and you almost always trust it. With that being said, it did not feel like the previous alarm calls that we had answered many, many times before. After clearing most of the first floor we entered the lower part of the residence. The lower completed basement area had a complete different feel in the fact the air felt heavy and I was thinking at any moment someone who wasn't supposed to be there would dart out of a closet or bedroom. After clearing the residence and making sure everything appeared ok and no one was in the residence, we spoke with the neighbor who could reset the alarm. While we were speaking with the neighbor in the kitchen and getting his information in case we needed him again, I had my back turned to an archway that led to the hallway, bedrooms, and the lower half of house. I did not feel comfortable at all. As I was writing down his information, I felt as if someone was behind me to the point of I stopped writing and started to turn around. As I turned to look over my right shoulder I saw two dark shadows with no detail. For a split second I saw of what looked like lower legs dart down the hallway. Soon as this happened and I was trying to comprehend what I just saw, and knowing we had just cleared the entire house the alarm was set off by a motion sensor in that hallway the shadow darted. It was enough to apparently make me turn pale as a ghost, no pun intended, to the point my partner immediately asked, "Did you see that!?" I replied, "Yes." As professionally as I could due to the neighbor in earshot of us I asked, "What was that?" He then replied, "I hope it was just a cat." Of course, there were no animals in the house. After we checked the residence again and again found nothing, we both could not rationalize what had happened with the alarm or what my partner and I had just witnessed. It was the first time I could not place what I had seen or could even give an explanation for.

This story was sent to me by a police officer from south Georgia. Due to the sensitivity of the officers job, the identity of the officer must remain anonymous.

If you would like to share your paranormal story, email it to our editor (cpinews@carolina-paranormal-investigations.net) to be included in future editions of the CPI Paranormal Report.



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Cryptid Corner

Written by Melissa George

Chupacabra



The chupacabras "goat sucker") is a legendary cryptid rumored to inhabit parts of the Americas. It is associated more recently with sightings of an allegedly unknown animal in Puerto Rico (where these sightings were first reported), Mexico, and the United States, especially in the latter's Latin American communities. The name comes from the animal's reported habit of attacking and drinking the blood of livestock, especially goats.

Physical descriptions of the creature vary. Eyewitness sightings have been claimed as early as 1995 in Puerto Rico. Have since been reported as far north as Maine, and as far south as Chile. Chupacabras have even been spotted outside the Americas in countries like Russia and The Philippines. It is supposedly a heavy creature, the size of a small bear, with a row of spines reaching from the neck to the base of the tail.

Biologists and wildlife management officials view the chupacabras as a contemporary legend.

In July 2010, an animal was killed and reported to be a chupacabra, but found to be a coyote with a severe parasite infection. In October of that year, University of Michigan scientists theorized that parasite-riddled coyotes (specifically the parasites responsible for scabies and mange) were likely the basis for the chupacabra legend.

The first reported attacks occurred in March 1995 in Puerto Rico.

In this attack, eight sheep were discovered dead, each with three puncture wounds in the chest area and completely drained of blood. A few months later, in August, an eyewitness, Madelyne Tolentino, reported seeing the creature in the Puerto Rican town of Canóvanas, when as many as 150 farm animals and pets were reportedly killed. In 1975, similar killings in the small town of Moca, were attributed to El Vampiro de Moca (The Vampire of Moca). Initially it was suspected that the killings were committed by a Satanic cult; later more killings were reported around the island, and many farms reported loss of animal life. Each of the animals had their bodies bled dry through a series of small circular incisions.

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Puerto Rican comedian and entrepreneur Silverio Pérez is credited with coining the term chupacabras soon after the first incidents were reported in the press. Shortly after the first reported incidents in Puerto Rico, other animal deaths were reported in other countries, such as the Dominican Republic, Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, Brazil, United States, and Mexico.

The most recent sighting was on July 4, 2011. Jack (Jeff) Crabtree, of Lake Jackson, Texas, reported seeing a chupacabra in his back yard. At first Crabtree stood firmly on his original theory of the chupacabra, but after the local newspaper and several other media reporters wrote his story on July 11 he quickly backed down, agreeing with wildlife experts that it was most likely a coyote with mange. "It was a spoof or a practical joke," Crabtree said. "...I really didn't believe it." His story appeared on CNN, as well as MSNBC. On July 15, 2011 local authorities caught what Crabtree saw. Experts confirmed that the animal was definitely a coyote with mange.

The most common description of chupacabras is a reptile-like being, appearing to have leathery or scaly greenish-gray skin and sharp spines or quills running down its back. This form stands approximately 3 to 4 feet (1 to 1.2 m) high, and stands and hops in a similar fashion to a kangaroo. In at least one sighting, the creature was reported to hop 20 feet (6 m). This variety is said to have a dog or panther-like nose and face, a forked tongue, and large fangs. It is said to hiss and screech when alarmed, as well as leave behind a sulfuric stench. When it screeches, some reports assert that the chupacabras' eyes glow an unusual red which gives the witnesses nausea.

Another description of chupacabras, although not as common, describes a strange breed of wild dog. This form is mostly hairless and has a pronounced spinal ridge, unusually pronounced eye sockets, fangs, and claws. It is claimed that this breed might be an example of a dog-like reptile. Unlike conventional predators, the chupacabras is said to drain all of the animal's blood (and sometimes organs) usually through three holes in the shape of an upside-down triangle or through one or two holes.

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The Brown Mountain Lights



Written by Marty George

Brown Mountain Lights, which are reported visible from several viewing points in the Linville area of the mountains of North Carolina. Brown Mountain is located on the lower end of the Blue Ridge Mountains in North Carolina, about 10 miles north of Morganton. These lights have been seen for generations. A number of web sites mention the notion that the lights were seen by Native Americans several hundred years ago.

The lights are most often reported as small, star-like dots of light comparable to the brightness of stars. Motion of the lights has varied by reports, from slow movements to almost firework type action. The lights are reported to often appear at dusk and peak in frequency during the first two hours of darkness.

The lights have been mainly reported seen from three viewing locations,

1. Wisemans View is a viewing location in the Pisgah National Forest. The Forest Service access (gravel) road is marked where it connects to Highway 183, which is off of Highway 221 near Linville. GPS coordinates: N 35° 54.232' W 81° 54.286'
2. Highway 181. It is about a mile south of the Barkhouse Picnic area. The gravel pull-off has a steel road barrier type low fence. The view from here is toward Brown Mountain itself, an obscure, low ridge in the distance. GPS coordinates: N 35° 56.525' W 81° 50.513'
3. The Blue Ridge Parkway has a marked viewing site at the Lost Cove overlook, located at the 310 mileage marker. GPS coordinates: N 36° 01.744' W 81° 52.305'

Hypothesis is that the Brown Mountain phenomenon is a manifestation of "Earthlights," which are luminous balls of light that appear over geological fault lines. They've been seen and photographed by seismic crews and satellites. It's believed to be a piezoelectric effect of changing seismic pressure on quartzite rock deep in the fault, which escapes at relief points as charged plasma. Reports that Canadian neuropsychologist Michael Persinger, who has studied Earthlights for many years, has reproduced the effect in the laboratory. Persinger noted some psychoactive effects of the plasma's magnetic field, including altered states of consciousness and vivid hallucinations – ghostly apparitions, alien abductions, Bigfoot sightings and encounters with fairies, Leprechauns and gnomes. So vibration a perception of each person is crucialbecause we all are different receivers ...we have our own hertz of vibration and what we see or hear. Persinger's extensive research found that earthlights tend to increase in frequency many years before a large earthquake or volcanic eruption. In addition, the lights are usually seen far away from the actual epicenter of subsequent earthquakes or erupting volcanoes. If that is true, and if the Brown Mountain lights are earthlights, it may be that an earthquake may be looming. But this is not a dire warning. Persinger's research showed that many of the earthquakes associated with reports of anomalous lights are often relatively small.

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Paranormal Soapbox

Written by Brandon Hudgens



I was speaking with some of the members of our group the other day and the subject of the paranormal shows that are on television came up. We talked about the differences in the shows. I for one am a big Ghost Hunters fan. They seem to have the perfect balance of the spiritual versus the scientific approach. That is, they have a spiritual approach that will not be shown on television. Spirituality apparently drives down ratings unless it is evil in nature. But that is another topic for another time. Jason and Grant understand that paranormal activity in your home is very personal and can be very dangerous if it is not handled properly. Now on the other spectrum of the paranormal entertainment is Ghost Adventures. I absolutely abhor this show. It is everything that is wrong in true paranormal investigation. They are a group of idiots that will one day get caught up in a paranormal windfall. Not only is what they do dangerous for them, but people are actually copying their methods in their own groups. If a group goes into someone's home and copies the actions of Zak Bagans, they stand a chance of putting the homeowner up a paranormal creek in a burning canoe without a paddle. To make a long story short, if you want to investigate the paranormal do so responsibly. In other words, if you want entertainment stay in cemeteries (with permission of course), if you want to be a serious paranormal investigator learn to help.

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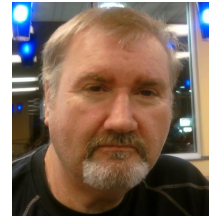
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High Strangeness

Written by Dennis Carroll

The Men In Black



In the records of High Strangeness, one subject alone stands for the highest of High Strangeness and that is the existence of the infamous, Men In Black. Of course I'm not talking about the comic book characters from the movies of the same name....but a presence and association of evil that has haunted mankind, down through the ages. The men in black (MIB) have been spoken of as being seen on the road to Athens in the time of Plato. There are records of them being present during the great plaques of medieval times and they are mentioned in transcripts of the Salem witch trials. Prevalent up until our time, there are many explanations sought for these very strange denizens of the paranormal. Some think they are alien in origin, while it is thought by others that they are agents of a secret unknown section of the government and they are considered by some to be representatives of demonic forces. What ever they maybe, they give the effect of something that does not belong in this world. They are not only connected to ufology but to many other aspects of the supernatural as well. I have over the years researched as much as possible into the many, many stories and accounts of these odd and very unsettling agents , who show up to question and intimidate witnesses to ufo and paranormal activity. It is a facinating and strange study of the unknown and the unexplained elements of our world. I invite you to look into it for your self. So who knows, perhaps late one night , there may be a knock at your door and you too may play host to the minions of darkness known asThe Men in Black.

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The Paranormal Colloquy

CPI would like to proudly announce, that along with our newsletter, CPI Paranormal Report, we now have a blog which can be found at this location:

<http://theparanormalcolloquy.blogspot.com/>

"Paranormal Colloquy" is now open for your reading pleasure and your participation and involvement.

The Paranormal Colloquy is a place for discussions of all things paranormal. We hope that this will be a place for everyone to come and have open and most importantly friendly discussions. We are hoping that this is one step towards paranormal unity among all people.

Every topic will be accepted and welcome. Healthy discussions are a great way to meet new people and make new friends.

All of us at CPI would like to thank you for your support. It is greatly appreciated.

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Close Encounters



I am sure that most of you have heard of the movie Close Encounters of the Third Kind even if you have not seen it. There is also a mockumentary movie out there called The Fourth Kind. Some of you may already know this, however, these titles have meaning to the people that study ufology. These movies are about humans interacting with aliens. Believe it or not, there is a scale that is used for the types of encounters that a person can have with extraterrestrials. Dr. Josef Allen Hynek, astronomer, professor, and ufologist, created a classification system for these interactions. He introduced this scale in 1972 and used the term close encounters. Let us dive a little deeper into this classification system. The first category is called close encounter of the first kind. This is the most elementary of all of the categories. It is when a person has a visual sighting of strange or unusual objects or lights in the sky. There is no physical contact of any manner. Close encounter of the second kind is the observation and effects of a UFO. These effects include crop circles, heat/radiation, lost time, interference of equipment, etc. Again, like in close encounter of the first kind there is no physical contact. We then have Dr. Haynek's last classification, close encounter of the third kind. In this classification a witness has a direct sighting of a UFO ship and/or an alien being. This could also include some sort of intelligent communication between the being and the witness. There have been several other classifications of close encounters suggested in recent years, but they are not as accepted as the first three kinds. The added classifications represent the more questionable forms of contact, such as abductions. The next four classifications are not as detailed as what Dr. Haynek introduced in 1972 and are still not as widely accepted as the original three. However, it is still worth the look. Close encounter of the fourth kind was included in Dr. Haynek's original scale. This is the encounter where a witness is abducted by aliens. Jacques Vallee, Dr. Hynek's associate, argued that a close encounter of the fourth kind should be described as "cases when witnesses experienced a transformation of their sense of reality," so as to also include non-abduction cases where absurd, hallucinatory or dreamlike events are associated with UFO encounters. Close encounter of the fifth kind was introduced by Steven M. Greer and the CSETI group. This close encounter involves bi-lateral communication between humans and aliens. The general claim to this type of communication tends to be telepathic in nature. Close encounter of the sixth kind is found on website by Michael Naisbitt. This encounter is described as an incident with a UFO that caused injury or death. Some people feel that this close encounter is redundant since Dr. Heynek's scale includes physical evidence of UFO activity in the second kind. The Black Vault Encyclopedia Project has proposed a close encounter of the seventh kind. This is described as the mating of aliens and humans that produce a hybrid usually called a Star Child. As you can see, there are many different classifications of alien encounters. Now if you ever come in contact with aliens you can describe your encounter with ease.