



More Strange Aerial Light Patterns - Now in Wisconsin

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Images of changing patterns produced by bright, unidentified aerial light taken on February 14, 2009, between 6 PM and about 9:30 PM to 10:00 PM Central by John Smith from his home between Elmwood and Plum City, Wisconsin, looking east.



Between St. Paul on the west and Eau Claire on the east is Elmwood, Wisconsin, north of rural Plum City. (Elmwood is top red circle on map north of Plum City red circle).

Return to Reno, Nevada, and Empire, Ohio 2-part Earthfiles

February 27, 2009 Elmwood, Wisconsin - On January 29, 2009, I filed a **2-part Earthfiles** report about more mysterious multi-colored aerial light patterns photographed over Reno, Nevada, and Empire, Ohio. A week later, I received an email from a retired Wisconsin businessman who has asked me to call him “John Smith” in order to protect his family. Their home is in rural Elmwood, Wisconsin, about an hour southeast of the Minneapolis/St. Paul twin cities. Elmwood is linked to a UFO flap in the mid-1970s and the town of 800 people now celebrates “UFO Days” each year during the last weekend of July. His February 7, 2009, email to me said:

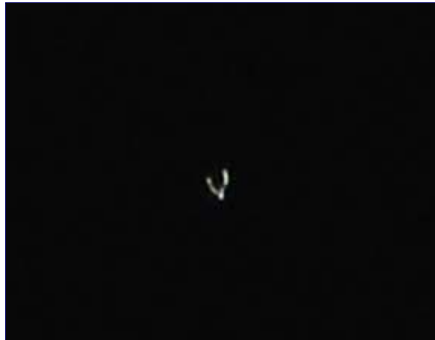
1) Subject: Strange light patterns in our Wisconsin sky.
Date: February 7, 2009
To: earthfiles@earthfiles.com

“Recently I’ve seen photos and reports of lights in the sky in Reno and Ohio on your Earthfiles.com website. We have been seeing similar lights in our eastern sky.

“We had a house guest in mid-November 2008, and we were hanging out late at night. Our home has large windows facing east and southeast. We noticed

this bright light in the eastern sky, which we thought was a plane at first. There are many planes that go over our home as we are on the flight path for the Minneapolis/St. Paul International airport. We kept watching it and realized it did not move like a plane. It had colored lights that kept shifting colors. We watched it for a couple of hours that night.

The next night it was still there and we watched it some more. Unfortunately, that night we didn't think to take pictures or look at it through our telescope. But we have seen it on several other nights since. On February 5th, my wife got the camera and took the first picture off our deck (below). We are located between Elmwood and Plum City, Wisconsin, in Pierce County. Over the years, our area has had a great deal of UFO activity.”



February 5, 2008, digital frame of “wishbone” pattern projected by bright light that appeared to the east of the Smith Elmwood, Wisconsin, home, beginning in mid-November 2008, and re-appearing occasionally through February 15, 2009.



John Smith slightly enlarged image.

The most famous Elmwood, Wisconsin, UFO event occurred April 22, 1976, at 11 PM, when Elmwood relief policeman George Wheeler radioed the sheriff's office that he was watching a large, silvery lens-shaped object with an orange, glowing top. The aerial disc was about 100 feet above ground and some 500 feet distant. A strange black hose was hanging from the aircraft. Wheeler radioed the sheriff's dispatcher, “My God, it's another one of these UFOs or spacecraft,” referring to other 1975 to 1976 UFO reports in the Elmwood region. Wheeler said he could see six bluish-white lights in windows or portholes on the side of the large, round aircraft, and shadows were moving at the windows as if someone were inside.

According to a report by the Aerial Phenomenon Research Organization, “suddenly the object started to rise straight up at extremely high speed and there was a bluish flash. Wheeler's headlights and radio went dead.” Policeman Wheeler also lost consciousness. Upon waking up, he said a light beam had “hit” him in his chest. When his police car was later inspected, all of the electrical components and plugs were burned out. Afterward, Policeman George Wheeler was hospitalized twice for severe headaches and eventually died six months later.

The Smith's Elmwood residence is surrounded by acres of trees and they both take lots of scenery photographs on a regular basis. In fact, they bought a new digital camera in November 2008, that has a good image-stabilization for the telephoto to keep handheld photographs steady.

Then on February 14, 2009, John Smith took 91 images of the mysterious light that had repeatedly showed up in the same place east of his house since November 2008. I interviewed him and asked if he could do another series with his camera mounted on a tripod. The next night on February 15, he shot more photographs with his camera on a tripod. Some of the ninety-one images from February 14, 2009, and the tripod images from

February 15, 2009, are below, followed by our interview.

February 14, 2009, Begins At Twilight Camera Telephoto Image-stabilization On

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All images taken with same camera by John Smith from
Smith home between Elmwood and Plum City, Wisconsin, looking east
from 6 PM to between 9:30 PM and 10:00 PM Central

Canon Power Shot, SD-770 IS

Megapixels: 10.1

Lens millimeters: 6.2 - 18.6 millimeters with 3X zoom.

Zoom used on most images.









February 15, 2009, Camera On Tripod









Interview:

John Smith, Retired Businessman, Elmwood, Wisconsin: “And they (wife and friend) saw this (bright aerial) object and thought that must be a plane, you know? because we are on the approach for the Twin Cities (Minneapolis and St. Paul) International Airport northwest of us a ways. So, we're used to planes all the time. [That night in mid-November 2008] we watched the sucker and it just did not move like a plane and then one of them noticed, ‘Look, it's changing colors!’ So they kept watching it for a couple of hours and the object kept changing, cycling through these bright colors and kind of - I don't know. It looks like it kind of undulates up there and it flashes. So, it was doing that and then we watched it for awhile the next night. It was still there.

We've watched it off and on since then, but when my wife took the camera out on the deck and took a picture of it on February 5, 2009, I looked at it and had seen stuff like it on your Earthfiles.com website about Stephenville and Reno and Ohio and all that and it looked so similar to me. I thought, ‘Gee, this is something!’ I got to talking with my wife and said, ‘You know, we really ought to get a picture.’ That's when she went out and snapped that first photo that I sent you a copy.

THAT LOOKS LIKE A WISHBONE.

Yeah. It's very strange the shapes that it goes in, and you can be sitting there with your camera trained on it and it just blinks off and disappears. It will stay gone for a bit and then it comes back. It's very strange! (laughs)

RIGHT, AND WHAT KIND OF DISCUSSIONS HAVE YOU HAD ABOUT THIS WITH YOUR ASTRONOMY FRIENDS?

Well, I haven't had too many, although I found that even though some people are tuned into the unusual, their first response is to figure out why it is not what it is! (laughs) And in my particular case, all I can do is and say I can either believe or I disbelieve.

FROM SOMETHING OTHER THAN EARTH?

Well, you know, I don't know. I don't know if it's from Earth. I don't know where it's from. I don't know if it's our people doing something or if it's ... I just don't know. But at the same time, I'm not a disbeliever either. I'd like to suspend judgment and just watch and learn. That's kind of the tact I have taken. (laughs)

YOUR EMAIL SAYS YOU WATCHED ONE OF THESE LIGHTS FOR TWO HOURS.

Oh, yeah! The photographs I sent you from last night (February 14, 2009), they started out and the sun isn't even totally down yet - it was twilight. You can see blue sky in some of the images. And the last pictures I took were probably 9:30 PM to 10:00 PM at night, so what that means is that it went on from 6 PM to 9:30 PM or quarter until 10:00 PM.

Strange Aerial Light Appears in Same Place, But Moves Westerly

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ON FEBRUARY 14, 2009, WITHOUT THE LIGHT MOVING ITS POSITION IN THE SKY?

It does move its position. It always appears at about the same spot. When it appeared in November, it was in the same spot and when it comes now, it's almost in exactly the same spot in relationship to - we have a big spruce tree out at the end of our driveway. And the light comes just off of that spruce tree. Then it moves what looks to me like sort of a westerly direction, like it kind of mimics the movement of the stars and planets. But the one thing that it does not do - that they do - is when the Earth's inclination changes, the stars and planets positions are different in the sky. This thing is always in the same place. This thing is very bright when it's active. I try to frame it in the middle of the frame and take a picture. The camera has a very good image-stabilization for the telephoto part of it.

The one big photograph I sent you today (February 15, 2009) has got trees and stuff in the foreground and you can see that they are defined. They are not shaky or anything like that. We just bought the camera in November 2008. It takes beautiful pictures. We take a lot of pictures, between my wife and me. We live in the country, you know? We live on a 60-acre tree farm and there are just lots of beautiful things to take pictures of.

HAVE YOU SEEN ANY OF THE SQUIGGLE PATTERNS ON ANY OTHER IMAGES?

No. I used to be a photographer. I sold high-end photography equipment when I was a kid in Palm Beach, Florida. So, I'm pretty comfortable and familiar around cameras and photography.

HAVE YOU EVER SEEN THE SQUIGGLE, MULTI-COLORED, 3-DIMENSIONAL PATTERN EVER BEFORE IN YOUR LIFE?

Not that I'm aware of, other than those I've seen in the photographs at your Earthfiles.com website.

SO, YOU WOULD AGREE WITH THE PEOPLE FROM STEPHENVILLE, TEXAS; KOKOMO, INDIANA; EMPIRE, OHIO; RENO, NEVADA - THAT THERE IS SOMETHING HIGHLY UNUSUAL THAT IS A NEW PHENOMENON IN THE SKY PROJECTING THESE STRANGE, CHANGING PATTERNS THAT LOOK ALMOST LIKE MULTIPLE COLORED BEADS?

Yes, yes, no question about it. I sent a bunch of the photographs out to a friend in California, who is very interested in some of the phenomena that has been happening out there. And he has looked at my photographs and tried to analyze them every which way and he just writes back and says, 'You've certainly got something going on there!' (Laughs)

YES, AND IT DOES NOT END.

No, it doesn't seem to. If it is not our people, I hope they (non-humans) are here to help us because we could sure use a bit of it.

Terrestrial Phenomenon? Or Not?

IF THIS WERE A TERRESTRIAL PHENOMENON THAT WAS MILITARY OR OTHER - I DON'T KNOW, MAYBE CORPORATIONS - WHAT IN THE WORLD WOULD IT BE THAT IN ALL OF THESE VARIOUS GEOGRAPHIC LOCATIONS, IT IS PROJECTING 3-DIMENSIONAL, MULTI-COLORED PATTERNS IN THE SKY FOR TWO OR THREE HOURS?

Right. It's hard to understand and wrap your head around that, isn't it?

BECAUSE WHAT WOULD BE THE PURPOSE?

Yeah.

WOULD THERE BE ANY PURPOSE YOU COULD SPECULATE?

Not that I can think of. (Laughs)

AND THE HIGH STRANGENESS OF THE PROJECTED MULTI-COLORED PATTERNS IN SO MANY DISPARATE GEOGRAPHIC AREAS WOULD EVEN SUGGEST THE POSSIBILITY OF SOME KIND OF COMMUNICATION SYSTEM THAT WE DON'T UNDERSTAND.

Right. Some of those pictures, I was taking the photographs as fast as I could recycle the camera.

WHICH WOULD BE HOW FAST?

Well, I've got a 4 gigabyte card in there and it's not the fastest card, but it's the second fastest. But at 10.1 megapixel, by the time the software does its thing and saves the image to the card, there is maybe only two or three seconds in between some of the images. So, then you take a picture and look from frame to frame and they are totally different configurations. It's amazing! The thing shrinks and it expands and it turns smoky and wispy and it tightens up and goes into little pieces - it's just fascinating!"

I talked with John Smith On February 26, 2009. He told me that on February 15, after he mounted his camera on the tripod and started trying to take photographs, as soon as he focused on the bright, multi-colored light to the east of his house, the light would blink out. He waited a couple of minutes and then the colorful light would pop back into the sky. He focused his camera mounted on the tripod again and at the moment he was ready to click the shutter, the colorful light would blink out again. This happened so many times that Mr. Smith said felt like the colorful, changing light was totally aware of what he was doing with the camera.

That's exactly what Sarah, the security guard in Empire, Ohio, told me about her efforts on January 3, 2009, to photograph a similar, multicolored bright light in the sky that Robert Maxwell photographed making the multi-colored squiggly patterns. [See January 29, 2009, **2-part Earthfiles**.]

I hope other eyewitnesses of this aerial multi-colored phenomenon, or other highly strange aerial light phenomena, will contact me at [earthfiles@earthfiles.com](mailto:atearthfiles@earthfiles.com). All requests for confidentiality are honored.

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More Information:

For further reports about unidentified aerial phenomena, please see 1999 to 2009 **Earthfiles Archive**. An example of recent Real X-Files, science and environment reports are listed below.

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- 11/13/2008 — Part 1: Morphing UFO Over Levittown, PA Drops Little Squares of Light
- 10/30/2008 — More Encounters with Glowing Humanoids, Green Orbs, Strange Aerial

Lights and "Thunderbirds"

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- 04/24/2008 — Strange Aerial Lights Like Texas - But Now Photographed in Indiana, Illinois, and Massachusetts
- 04/23/2008 — Four Red, Unidentified Lights Change Patterns Over North Phoenix
- 04/07/2008 — Part 1: Bizarre Objects Caught by Illinois and Missouri Game Trail Cameras
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- 02/08/2008 — Law Officers Describe Unidentified Shape-Shifting Aerial Craft in Stephenville, Texas, Region
- 01/28/2008 — Updated 01-28-08: Viewer Letters About Aerial Craft and Military Flyovers Above Dublin, Stephenville and Selden, Texas
- 01/18/2008 — Updated: Huge Aerial Craft Over Dublin, Texas, "Longer Than 3 Football Fields"

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