

## UFO SIGHTINGS OFF MYRTLE BEACH, SOUTH CAROLINA

Many times over the past several years people have asked me what are the latest UFO sighting reports. Well this year locally we had a triangle shaped object observed near Hagerty Road on February 3rd and on May 19th there was a disc shaped craft sighted near Stoutsville. These were reported to the Mutual UFO Network, of which I have been a member since 1988. Both of them are written up in the MUFON Journals of June and July. MUFON, itself averages some 500 reports each month. The monthly journals have been delivered to the Circleville Library since 1994. Our local Roundtown UFO Society pays for this. They are located in the magazine section. I am a board member of the state organization which is MUFON of Ohio. We had our annual conference at the Ashland County Sheriff's annex in May, which was heavily attended.

Now we go on to Myrtle Beach. In the August, 2013 issue of the MUFON Journal, Peter Davenport had an article there that detailed the many UFO sightings off the Atlantic Coast at Myrtle Beach. These extended from North Myrtle Beach south to Murrels Inlet.

There is a very interesting exhibit in a building named "Encounters: UFO Experience". It is located at an entertainment center named "Broadway At The Beach" at the southern end of Myrtle Beach off of highway 17. It is next to the Margaritaville restaurant. It contains the history of UFOs.

My family and I just went on a recent vacation to North Myrtle Beach from June 20th to June 26<sup>th</sup>. On the last night at the beach, June 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:45p.m, we had an unusual sighting of strange lights in the sky at 45 degrees and they were stationary out over the ocean. If you want, you can go to Peter Davenport's website for the details. His website is [nuforc.com](http://nuforc.com) that stands for National UFO Reporting Center. It is located in Seattle, Washington. My sighting report is on the database for the state of South Carolina. While on that website you can look at all the other sightings for Myrtle Beach that have occurred at the same period and in the past. Some of them are similar to our sighting. I also reported our sighting to the MUFON South Carolina investigators. They have it listed as unidentified.

I recently talked to Peter on the telephone and he indicated to me that he definitely feels Myrtle Beach is a UFO hotspot and some of them with the descriptions are not military or have a natural explanation. For whatever reason or reasons the mainstream media does not carry these reports. However, the cable channels, History, etc. does cover the UFO phenomenon.

If you have any questions or comments please phone me at 740-474-6773 or email me at [rufos@columbus.rr.com](mailto:rufos@columbus.rr.com). Our next monthly meeting is this Thursday night, July 10<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30p.m. at the Pickaway County District Library in Circleville. The public has always been invited.

Sincerely,  
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