PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE: 17 September	2. LOCATION: Des Plaines, Illinois	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☒ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local GMT 18/0209Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☐ No	6. SOURCE: Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION: 4 min 30 sec	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS: one	9. COURSE: WNW

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

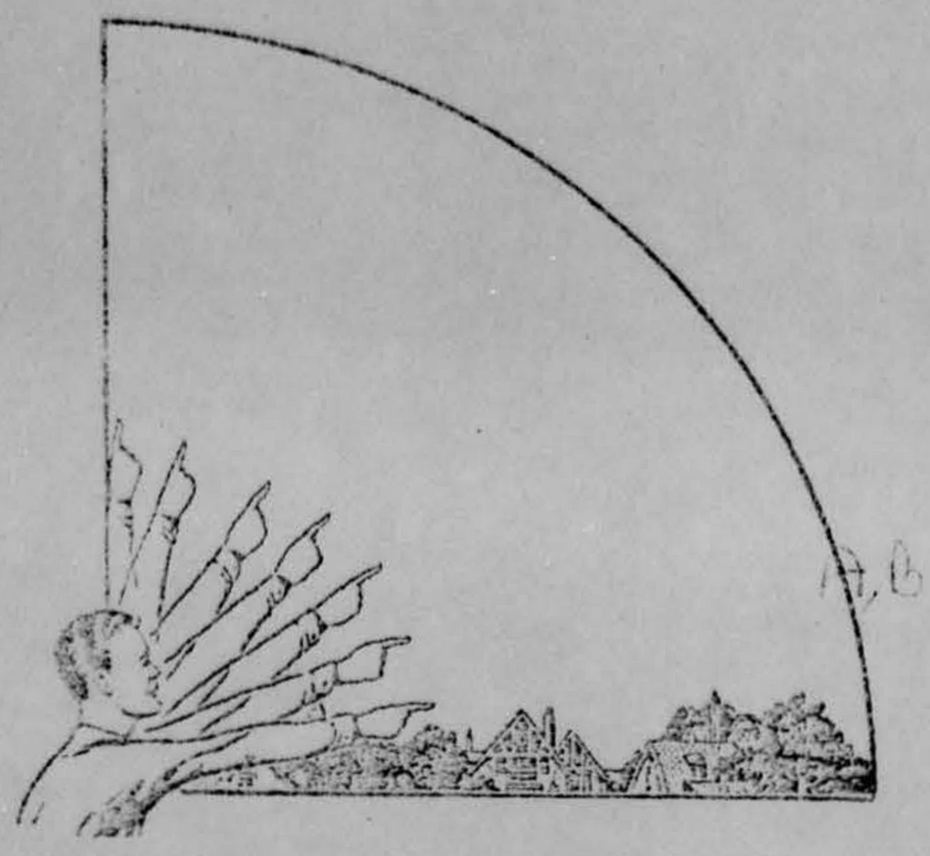
Obj observed in East traveling to NW. Believed a/c except that it was too low for a/c, no running lights, yellow white color. Not shaped like a/c. Saucer shape with bubble on top. Estimated speed at 600-700 mph.

11. COMMENTS

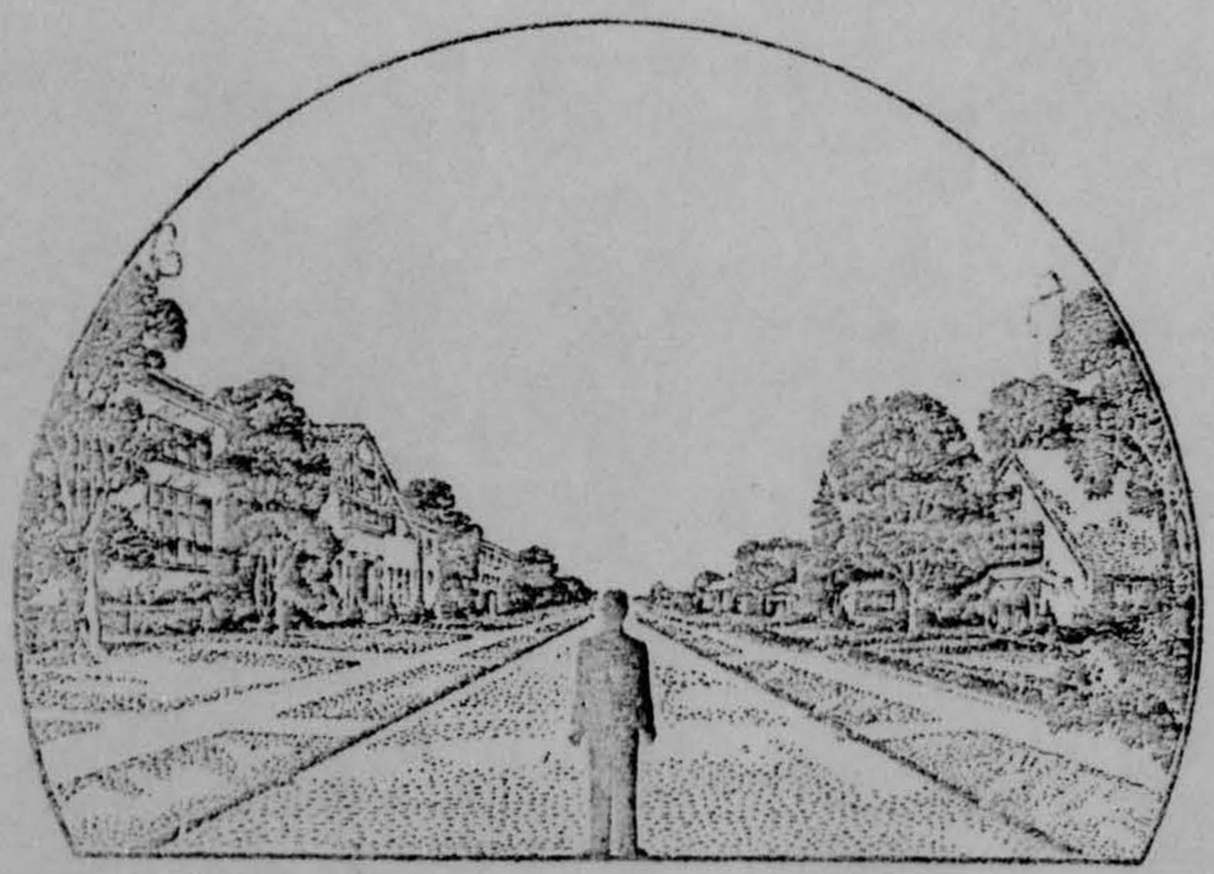
Nothing conflicting with a/c evaluation.

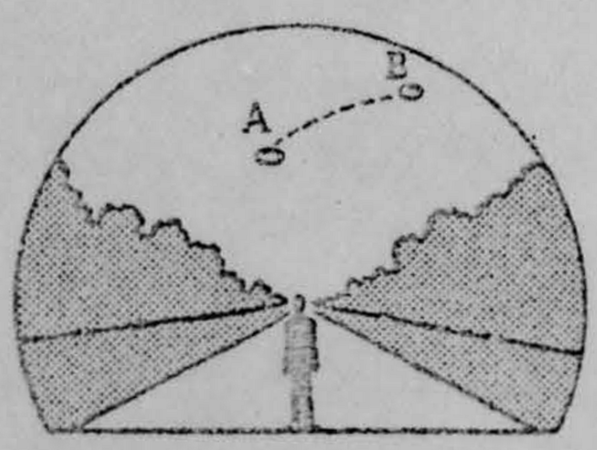
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32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the *same* curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it.



33. In the following larger sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you *first* saw it, and a "B" at its position when you *last* saw it. Refer to smaller sketch as an example of how to complete the larger sketch.





34. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS *(Circle One)*

(a. Clear sky.
b. Hazy
c. Scattered clouds
d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER *(Circle One)*

(a. Dry.
b. Fog, mist, or light rain
c. Moderate or heavy rain
d. Snow
e. Don't remember

35. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object?

17 (Day) 9 (Month) 1962 (Year)

U. S. Department of Defense, Pentagon, Washington DC

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One) (Yes) No

36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One) (Yes) No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses

[redacted] Des Plaines, Illinois

[redacted] Des Plaines, Illinois

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One) (Yes) No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it? As I stated in my letter to the Pentagon of 7-17-62, I did not think it was a plane because it did not have receiving lights and it was not the shape of one. It was not a meteor or temperature inversion. I believe that it was a U.F.O.

39. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One) (Yes) No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? 650 - 700 MPH

40. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) (Yes) No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? _____

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] (Last Name) [redacted] (First Name) [redacted] (Middle Name)

ADDRESS [redacted] DR (Street) DES PLAINES (City) — (Zone) ILL. (State)

TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted]

Age 56 Sex MALE

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any education, which might be pertinent.

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HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION.

42. Date you completed this questionnaire: 24 (Day) 9 (Month) 1967 (Year)

U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

(SUMMARY DATA)

In order that your information may be filed and coded as accurately as possible, please use the following space to write out a short description of the event that you observed. You may repeat information that you have already given in the questionnaire, and add any further comments, statements, or sketches that you believe are important. Try to present the details of the observation in the order in which they occurred. Additional pages of the same size paper may be attached if they are needed.

NAME [redacted]
(Please Print)

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

(Do Not Write in This Space)
CODE:

I sighted this object in the Northern skies at about 8:09 P.M. on Monday, September 17, 1962. It was traveling in a East to West-Northwest direction. It was traveling at approx. 650-700 M.P.H.

I was going to our garage to get some icecubes from our freezer when I happened to look up in the sky. I called my son, Robert Jr., who was watching the television and noted the time. When he saw it, he rushed into the house to get our binoculars to see it more clearly and close-up. My wife Margaret, went to find them. In the meantime, my son got his .22cal. rifle, which has a scope on it and he followed it until his mother brought out the binoculars. It disappeared over the Northwest horizon at 8:12.30 P.M.. The objectwas a yellow-whitish color and cigar ~~xhgxx~~ shaped. The object is diagramed on the reverse side.



West - Nordwest

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Des Plaines, Illinois

September 17, 1962

To: United States Department of Defense

Pentagon

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sirs;

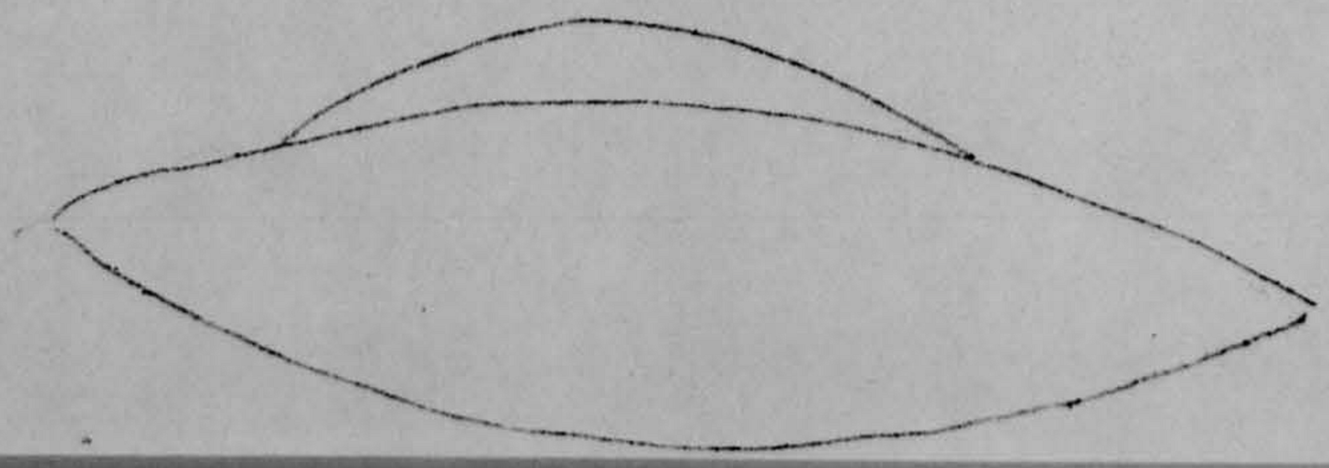
I am sure that in the past few years you have had numerous reports of Unidentified Flying Objects from throughout the United States. Some you may consider crackpots, while others you may believe. You may make your own evaluation of my report.

This object was sighted by my father at 8:09 P.M., traveling in a East - West-Northwest direction. The object was traveling at a high rate of speed, approx. 600-650 M.P.H.. It was traveling accross the sky, Mxkh North of Des Plaines, Illinois. It was in sight for about 3-4 minutes. From this information, you may come to believe that it was a jetliner. There are three reasons why I feel that this is a distinct impossibility;

1) This object was too low for an airplane.

2) This object <u>DID NOT HAVE</u> any of the required running lights that are called for by the Federal Aviation Agency. It was a yellow-white color. <u>NO OTHER COLOR WAS VISIBLE</u>..

3) This is possibly the most important. It was not the shape of any aircraft I know, have heard about, or read about. The object is diagramed below.



I therefore report this sighting, in the hope that it will help you piece together the U.F.O. puzzle.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectively yours,

[redacted]

RE/re

DR 17 Sept

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ACTION

✓	APPROPRIATE ACTION		PREPARATION OF REPLY FOR SECRETARY OF DEFENSE SIGNATURE
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	DATA ON WHICH TO BASE A REPLY		☐ SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
	COMMENT AND/OR RECOMMENDATION		☐ DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
			☐ THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT

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U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U.S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes, and will be regarded as confidential material. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that, if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

17 (Day) SEPT. (Month) 1962 (Year)

2. Time of day: 8 (Hour) 09 (Minutes)

(Circle One): A.M. or (P.M.)

3. Time Zone:

(Circle One): a. Eastern
(b. Central)
c. Mountain
d. Pacific
e. Other _____

(Circle One): (a. Daylight Saving)
b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

[redacted] DR. (Nearest Postal Address) DES PLAINES (City or Town) ILLINOIS (COOK) (State or Country)

Additional remarks: —

5. How long was object in sight? _____ (Hours) 4 (Minutes) 30 (Seconds)

5.1 How was time in sight determined? I was watching a television show, and happened to look at the clock.

a. Certain
(b. Fairly certain)
c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY	NIGHT
a. Bright	(a. Bright)
b. Cloudy	b. Cloudy

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One):
a. In front of you
b. In back of you
c. To your right
d. To your left
e. Overhead
f. Don't remember

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8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS *(Circle One)*:

a. None
b. (A few)
c. Many
d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON *(Circle One)*:

a. (Bright moonlight)
b. Dull moonlight
c. No moonlight — pitch dark
d. Don't remember

9. The object appeared:

(Circle One): (a. As a light) b. Shiny c. Dark d. Don't remember

10. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? yes.

11. Did the object:

	(Circle One for each question)		
a. Appear to stand still at any time?	Yes	(No)	Don't Know
b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?	(Yes)	No	Don't Know
c. Break up into parts or explode?	Yes	(No)	Don't Know
d. Give off smoke?	Yes	(No)	Don't Know
e. Change brightness?	Yes	(No)	Don't Know
f. Change shape?	Yes	(No)	Don't Know
g. Flash or flicker?	Yes	(No)	Don't Know
h. Disappear and reappear ?	Yes	(No)	Don't Know

12. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes (No) Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: _____

13. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes (No) Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what in front of: _____

14. Did the object appear: *(Circle One)*: (a. Solid) b. Transparent c. Vapor d. Don't Know

15. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

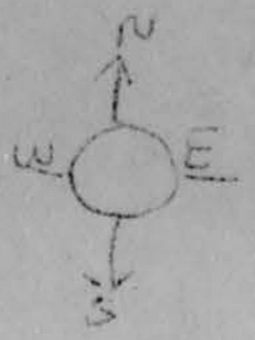
a. Eyeglasses	(Yes)	No	e. Binoculars	(Yes)	No
b. Sun glasses	Yes	(No)	f. Telescope	(Yes)	No
c. Windshield	Yes	(No)	g. Theodolite	Yes	No
d. Window glass	Yes	(No)	h. Other _____		

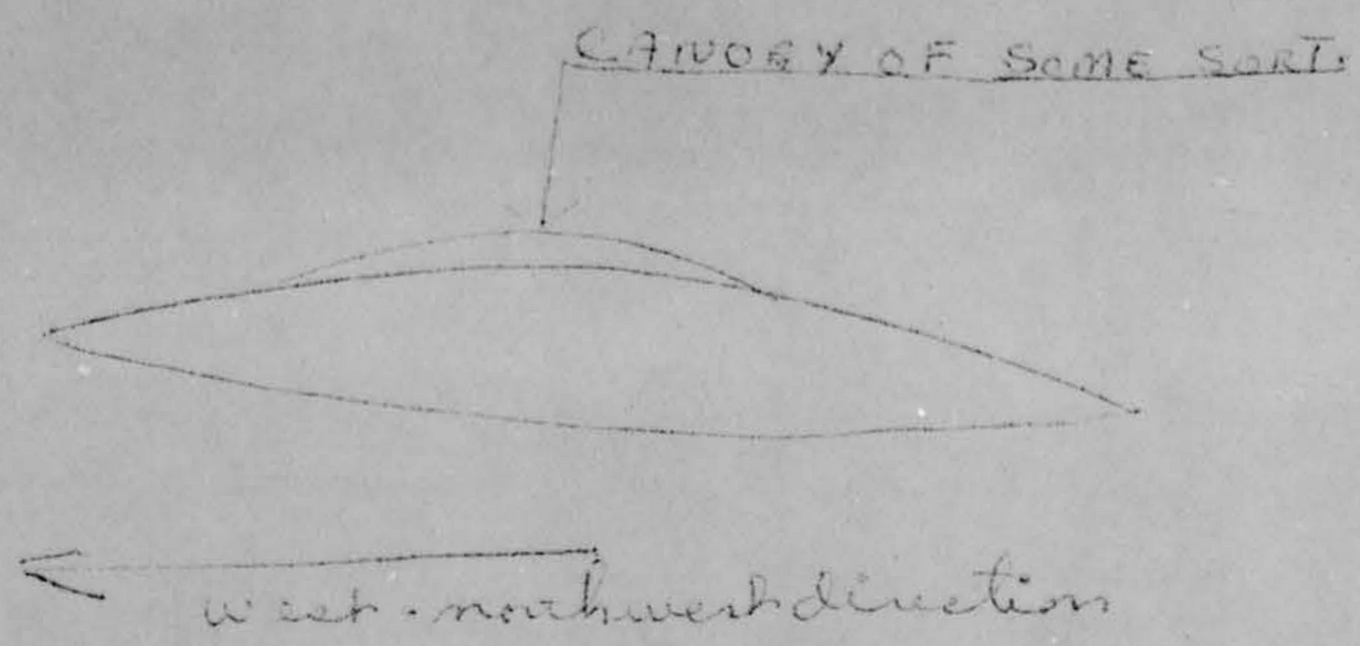
16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

a. Sound There was no available sound connected.

b. Color It was a yellow-white color.

17. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.





18. The edges of the object were:

(Circle One): a. Fuzzy or blurred
b. Like a bright star
c. Sharply outlined
d. Don't remember
e. Other _____

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? _____

Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

It was guessed about 3/4 the size of a house (Sorry)
in the air about the length of a Cadillac Fleetwood.

20. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



21. How large did the object appear to you as compared to an object with which you are familiar?
about 3/4 the size of a pencil type home (grounded)

22. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head? about 1/3 of it would be covered, possibly less.

23. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how? No.

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, describe in your own words a common object or objects which, when placed up in the sky, would give the same appearance as the object which you saw. As I stated in my first letter, it would not be an airplane. It could be a plane you are secretly working on. There is then no object that I know which will or would create the same appearance

25. Where were you located when you saw the object? *(Circle One)*:

a. Inside a building
b. In a car
c. Outdoors
d. In an airplane (type)
e. At sea
f. Other_____

26. Were you *(Circle One)*

a. In the business section of a city?
b. In the residential section of a city?
c. In open countryside?
d. Near an airfield?
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other_____

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it?

I was getting some ice cubes from a freezer in the garage I happened to look up at the sky and I saw it.

28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

28.1 What direction were you moving? *(Circle One)*

a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

28.2 How fast were you moving?_____ miles per hour.

28.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? *(Circle One)*

a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest
i. Overhead

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? *(Circle One)*

a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest
i. Overhead

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North (thru east) and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

31.1 When it first appeared:

a. From true North 85 to _____ degrees.
b. From horizon 40 - 45 degrees.

31.2 When it disappeared:

a. From true North _____ degrees.
b. From horizon 45 - 50 degrees.