

Pueblo Hose Company Three Investigation

Friday March 25th – Saturday 26th 2011

Boulder County Paranormal Research Society

- Richard
- Kathleen
- Joey
- Kira
- Seth
- Connie (probationary)

The Other Side Investigations

- Brad

American Association of Paranormal Investigators

- Stephen
- Lisa

River Bears Investigations

- Dave
- Sharon

Guests

Gary, Mark, Terri (museum custodians)

Researchers arrived at various intervals between 19:00 and 22:00. A tour of the facility was conducted by Mark, the fire museum custodian, and his partner Terri. Both Mark and Terri have conducted investigation into reported paranormal phenomena at the fire museum, and agreed to join us for part of our overnight investigation.

22:30 While Richard assumed the role of coordinator, assisted by Kathleen, the investigators were divided up into three teams. The subdivision was deliberately intended to mix personnel from multiple attending agencies into each team, with the aim of fostering strong investigative practices and sharing lessons and methods of investigation. It should also be noted that, in the event of evidence capture, potential accusations of bias or deception could be countered by the fact that multiple research teams would have to be “in it together”, which is extremely unlikely.

Communication would be conducted via two-way radio, with at least one portable radio per team, and a central coordination team located in the firehouse kitchen.

Team 1 – Basement (Joey, Lisa, Sharon)

Team 2 – Bay – (Dave, Stephen, Connie)

Team 3 – Chiefs office (Kira, Brad, Seth)

23:45 Baseline readings were taken throughout the structure, on all levels. EMF readings and thermal readings were noted and logged using a variety of instrumentation, and verified with multiple devices.

23:04 Team 1 reports a basement-level EMF spike approx 150 mGauss. Team 2 were immediately detailed to assist team 1 track down the source, which turned out to be transformer generating 150-179 mGauss spike in a 4.5 foot radius.

23:08 Team 3 notices that metallic objects seem to emit EMF at the front of the building due to power lines passing close by. The team ran further testing in the A/D corner of engine bay.

23:20 Team 1 completes a 360 degree assessment of the structure's exterior, recording high EMF readings on the A side, increasing with altitude. This was suspected to be bleedthrough from transformers on poles outside.

23:30 The liquor store across the road (on the A side) closes. This had been a constant source of extraneous background noise.

23:40 All three teams congregated in the coordination center, to share baseline results (no major, inexplicable abnormalities reported). A briefing was conducted for the first EVP session. Team 1 were deployed to the basement, team 2 deployed to the engine bay, and team 3 were deployed to the Chiefs' office. EVP sessions will be conducted with absolute silence throughout the structure – team 1 will conduct the first session for 5 minutes, followed by team 2, then team 3. This method is designed to ensure absolute silence throughout the structure during each EVP session, ruling out noise caused by other teams.

00:14 Team 1 EVP commences.

00:19 Team 1 EVP finishes.

00:24 Team 2's radio malfunctions. Replaced with a fresh unit.

00:27 Team 2 begins EVP session

00:34 Team 2 ends evp session

00:37 Team 3 begins EVP session.

00:43 Team 3 ends EVP session.

00:57 Stephen, Lisa & Richard conduct an EVP session in the firefighter sleeping quarters. Session is orchestrated by Stephen and Lisa.

01:11 Richard gets 2 K2 meters to assist the EVP session.

01:24 Richard asks for Kira & Mark to join them with camcorders to document the experiment, as Lisa appears to be triggering EMF spikes on the K2 meters.

01:35 K2 meters indicate 2 spikes between 1-3 lights (3 K-2 meters are placed in a triangular pattern on the bed near Lisa). Another EVP Q&A session was undertaken.

02:30 Connie reports a sensation “similar to footsteps” beneath her chair.

02:50 Joey & Richard take a nap on beds in the firefighter sleeping quarters. Previous investigators have reported the feeling of a presence or breathing in that location.

02:55 Sharon & Dave start baseline readings in the kitchen.

02:55 Brad, Kira, Seth work in the engine bay area, using firefighter helmets as control objects.

03:00 An EVP session is initiated in the kitchen.

03:15 The kitchen EVP session is finished.

03:20 Team 3 reports no activity in the engine bay.

04:00 – 04:30 Investigation terminated. Gary kindly drives in at first light and locks up the building.

Post-investigation results

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Upon inspection of the data gathered via camera (both video and digital still-camera) and voice recording, no abnormalities were found.

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results pending

THE OTHER SIDE

results pending

RIVER BEARS

results pending

Appendix A - Narrative by Kira and Seth Woodmansee of BCPRS

The team assembled at the fire house museum between 18:00 and 19:00 and got the background story from the museum’s two caretakers, Gary and Carl. They’ve done a remarkable amount of research and preservation, most of which is available on the PuebloFire.org website. Phenomena observed include:

- A hand print which recurs on a second floor window, even after the glass has been replaced.

- Ping pong balls moving around on the chief's desk of their own accord.
- An investigator on a previous investigation waking suddenly, certain that someone had breathed on her neck.
- A fire truck crashing through the front door with no one behind the wheel.
- The chief's car, having been left idling, driving itself around the block and back to the front of the station, where it crashed into a flatbed truck. This incident was observed by several neighbors, who believed the car was being driven by remote control.
- Dead flies appearing on one window ledge and no others.

Other Relevant Information:

There was a boy who fell down the fire pole and was seriously injured but not killed. It has since had a grate fitted to prevent anyone falling.

The Investigation:

We spent the first few hours looking around and getting the history. The museum's collection is just incredible. We started as usual laying out our plans and equipment, devising a plan for the night, and splitting into teams. I worked with Brad and Seth most of the night.

The three of us started on the second floor, while other teams went to the first floor and basement. Temperature seemed within a normal range, approximately 65 degrees with a 1-2 degree variation in the bunkroom, and 68.8 degrees in the office. No cold spots were detected. EMF got into the 3 mG range near the A and B walls and in the corners, being 1-2 elsewhere in the room. We also observed an EMF rating of 3 near the phones, which were not connected to anything. We tested the K2s on our own equipment, to see if our things which were turned off activated the meters. They didn't.

Brad theorized that the construction of the building might be causing a natural induction field. I confess I don't understand much about electricity, so I can't explain it in any depth. He tested the theory a bit later and unfortunately it didn't pan out.

At 23:15, the first team, that had been in the basement, went outside to check out the building's exterior. We could hear them as they moved around.

My team continued investigating the bunkroom, and I discovered wiring under the table in the A-D corner, which had a model of a firehouse on it. The wiring made the model light up, and gave off 3 mG of EMF. I felt a slight pricking feeling on my neck in that corner, but attributed it to the general high EMF levels there. I also found 2 dead flies under the model table, and there was a window behind it, so I believe there to be nothing paranormal about flies and windows.

The team investigating the first floor heard 3 knocks on the back door, and it turned out to be coming from a homeless person.

When the first team came back from their tour outside, they informed us that there was a transformer nearby, which could account for a lot of EMF, including the high ratings all over the walls.

At 00:16, we began EVPs, my team in the chief's office on the second floor. My recording did not pick up anything significant. During the EVP, Team 2's radio malfunctioned and had to be replaced with a fresh one. Seth observed that the K2's flickered in response to radio chatter.

We next did an EVP in the bunkroom with a group of K2s and Melmeters in the center of one of the beds. Previously in that area, the K2's had only lit up to 2, but now they were lighting up to 3. Other team members observed EMF spikes in the center of the room, seemingly directed around a person. I theorized that dental fillings were setting it off, but the K2's also spiked when pointed at someone with no fillings. Lisa seemed to be the catalyst at first for this odd EMF behavior, then Terri reported that she also had spikes. The EMF seemed to fluctuate around the center of the room, but half an hour of testing with different groups revealed no clear source. The most likely explanation is the transformer, which also could have accounted for Miranda waking up suddenly on the previous investigation feeling someone breathing on her neck.

At this point, my energy really started to flag and I slept for a good part of the remainder of the night. I observed no other notable phenomena and slept quite comfortably in the bunkroom. I feel that if I was tired enough, I could have slept comfortably there alone.