

## The Truth Is Out There

In 1995, Tim Edwards filmed a dazzling, cylinder-shaped object over the town of Salida. When this film was made public, the reaction was sudden and extensive, sparking a nationwide and centering attention right on our town.

Tim's footage was featured on the National Geographic Channel & the History Channel, among others and to this day, it is still recognized as a valid UFO. No argument has been made for what else it could have been.

UFOs are nothing new in Chaffee County. In 1911, Henry Knickerbocker, a local brickmaker, witnessed something very strange in the night sky. This, from the Salida Mail:

"H.F. Knickerbocker has never before been accused of 'seeing things,' but the other evening he saw a peculiar light in the sky which seemed to be traveling rapidly, and called to several of the neighbors to corroborate his statement. When the light was first seen, it was in the direction of Mt. Shavano and moving in the direction of Methodist mountain. When seen in that vicinity it seemed to drop suddenly out of sight and the only explanation that can be given is that it was one of the balloons sent out from Denver some days before by certain advertisers."

And in September 1917, several reputable folks in Salida, including the Rev. Oakley, witnessed:

"...Some kind of light has been observed in various positions in the blue depths; a light in motion, but very far away. The light would disappear for an instant, only to again reappear stronger than ever, and would finally vanish in the distance."

The Rev. Oakley was not prepared to say what it was, but upon closer examination with his telescope, he remarked that it "appeared to be a wheel about 3 feet in diameter and while the wheel seemed to revolve or move about, vari-colored lights appeared."

The Mail asked:

The Mountain Mail's own Arlene Shovald published extensive coverage of the Tim Edwards which is avail

Through the years, the National UFO Reporting Center has posted multiple reports of UFOs from the Salida area. The most notable being a long and a detailed report from 2005 filed by a retired US Air Force pilot, describing two silver orbs as he was flying over Monarch.

What's interesting is it seems most people who see a UFO are apologetic about it. The Air Force pilot mentions that he 'knows what he saw ... and will never forget' and Tim Edwards was open to criticism. "Without the videotape, I'm nothing ... People who see it take it seriously.

Tim Edwards died in 2008. His famous green chile is still served at the Patio Pancake Place, where the Edwards family have been properting for over 40 years.

The entire clip of Tim's video can be seen on youtube or at [salidaarchive.info](http://salidaarchive.info).