

The Light Ghost



We were contacted by T.A.P.S (The Atlantic Paranormal Society), they forwarded the following e-mail:

“Hi Jason,

I just wanted you to let you know no one has called me to and get the recorder. I’m not sure what to do with it. I also wanted to tell you I’m having more activity in my home. We bought this house in May 06 and then my husband had to work out of the city from Sept-Dec. The first night he was away my toilet kept flushing all night and I could hear people walking and talking downstairs all night. My little brother lives in my basement and the following day he asked me why I was up so late talking on the phone walking around and making noises. When my husband came back he had to leave again for one night and my toilet kept flushing all night long. My friend is a plumber and he came over to look at it and didn’t find anything. Well last Tuesday me and my husband got in a fight and he went and stayed with his parents and once again my toilet kept flushing all night. I’m just wondering if something is going on. What do you think?”



The kitchen

Jason replied with:

“I need to see if Bryan from Rocky Mountain Paranormal could check your house out. He is in your area and he is a great friend and also runs a top notch group. I am cc’ing him on this e-mail. As for the recorder that the last group left, if they do not contact you back for it after the situation that happened, then I guess that you could either give it to Bryan from Rocky Mountain or keep it. I am sorry about the things that the last group you had contacted said and I in no way endorse the behavior”

The initial interview:

After a quick interview on the phone, we scheduled an on-site interview to talk to the residents of the home.

Background:

They have lived in the home for less than a year and claim that they have had some kind of activity the entire time. The wife claims that she has had some type of activity in her previous homes as well.

When they moved into the home, the activity started almost immediately. When the husband would leave home, the sounds of footsteps were heard throughout the home. The toilet in the master bathroom was heard to repeatedly flush for long periods and stop for no known reason.

On several occasions, all of the residents have reported hearing footsteps and voices on the main floor and in the basement. The two dogs at the location have had barked a bit at the air.



The basement

The residents report that since they have moved into the home they have had issues with getting along with each other. Both claim that they have been the best of friends, however when they moved into the home their relationship turned to frustration and fighting. This resulted in the husband leaving for brief periods of time in which the activity seemed to increase.

The activity started to increase around September 2007, which is when they decided to contact someone for help. They contacted another "ghost hunting" group to see if they could help. The group responded about a month after the initial contact. They explained that they were "still trying to decide who was responding to incoming e-mails to their group" They eventually scheduled a time for an investigation.

The group conducted an investigation in October 2007. They interviewed the residents of the home at the same time. The team told the residents that they needed to stay in the living room while they conducted their investigation.

The investigation started around 6:00 pm and was conducted by several different members. Their investigation started by conducting an EVP session. The team members walked throughout the location taking photographs as well as asking questions of the “entity.”

The EVP session concluded and the team went on a “remote.” All of the residents and the two dogs were taken outside. The team set up two camcorders and one digital voice recorder in the home. After about 45 minutes, they returned to the home and concluded the investigation. They left around 8:45 pm.

The team told the residents that they would call back soon with the results.



Bedroom

After the team, left the digital audio recorder that the team had been using for EVP recordings was discovered on the mantle of the fireplace.

There were multiple attempts to contact the team to return the recorder, however when they did eventually contact the team they were told that they would be out to get the recorder in “about three weeks.” After several weeks with no contact, they tried to contact the team again and were told that they would “eventually come get the recorder.”

The team was contacted again to see if there were any results and remind them that they still needed to pick up their recorder. The team did eventually contact them and claim that they had “been mailed” several times and that there was no evidence recorded and they had “felt” nothing during the investigation so the home was “not haunted.”

The residents of the home told the team that they had listened to the recorder and wanted to know what the sounds on the recording were. The team member told them that they should not listen to the recorder because it was not their property and belonged to the team.

The residents informed the team that they were offended by the comments that had been made on the recording (apparently, they had made derogatory comments about the decorations in the home and the ethnicity of the homeowners)

This is when they contacted T.A.P.S to see what could be done.



Base location

At this point, we were contacted by T.A.P.S. and we started our investigation.

Home Information:

- Built 1979
- Sales – 10/17/78, 8/22/79, 3/16/87, 7/28/93, 2/19/97, 2/19/99, 5/1/06
- Two story residential
- Three bathrooms
- Three bedrooms
- One basement bathroom
- Forced air heating
- Active sump pump in basement
- Attached garaged



Base location

We recovered a small digital voice recorder. The recording included the team members asking questions for an EVP session. However, the members of the team did not stop talking during the process to allow for an answer for their questions. During the session, multiple members stated that they heard footsteps come into the room; one smelled something odd and claimed that she felt a small cold spot that came up about halfway up her legs. The unusual part of the recording was when the team, the residents, and the dogs were removed from the home. The team is heard saying "we are now leaving the location" then a few minutes later you can hear the distinct sound of footsteps, doors closing and other bumps and bangs. Several times, it appeared that the team was coming back into the home but it was not them. They were away for about 30 minutes.



View of second floor from bottom of stairs

We arrived to the home at 7:00 pm

Upon arrival, we started setting up equipment and taking baseline readings and photographs.

Equipment:

- 1 – video camera looking up the main staircase to the second floor (bedroom and bathroom)
- 1 – video camera looking from the kitchen to the large living room
- 1 – video camera looking towards the kitchen from the living room
- 1 – video camera in the master bedroom facing the door to the hallway
- 1 – video camera in the basement in the main living room area

- 1 – video camera looking into the main living room on the main floor
- Microphones were located in the living room area on the main floor, the top of the stairs on the second floor, the bottom of the stairs in the basement and on the kitchen on the countertop
- 1 – remote temperature sensor at the top of the stairs on the second floor
- 1 – remote temperature sensor at the bottom of the stairs in the basement
- 1 – Temperature sensor at the base location where we were located.

At 1:40 am, the camera from the kitchen was moved to the top of the stairs

Every hour EMF readings were taken at the following locations

Basement:

- Area 1 – Table against wall
- Area 2 – Back bedroom
- Area 3 – Center of room
- Area 4 – Bathroom

- First floor
- Area 1 – Fireplace
- Area 2 – Back hall
- Area 3 – Bathroom
- Area 4 – Center of Kitchen

- Upstairs
- Area 1 – Master bedroom
- Area 2 – Hallway/Bathroom
- Area 3 – Bedroom
- Area 4 – second Bathroom
- Area 5 – back bedroom

Readings were started at 8:30 after several baseline readings were taken

The only noticeable variance in EMF was around 10:35 in the stairway to the second floor. The readings went up to about 2 milligauss, which was explained by the heater turning on.

E.M.F. Results:

Basement	8:30	10:45	11:45	12:45	1:45	2:45
1	16 to 15	16 to 15	16 to 15	6 to 15	6 to 15	6 to 16
2	2	2	2	2	2	2.00
3	2	2	2	2	2	2.00
4	3	3	3	3	3	
1st floor						
1	1	0	1	1	1	1.00
2	1	0	1	1	1	1.00
3	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
4	2	2	2	2	2	2.00
Upstairs						
1	1	1	2	2	2	1.00
2	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
3	1	20	1	1	1	1.00
4	1	1	1	1	1	1.00
5	1	1	1	1	1	1.00

Temperature:

Throughout the evening temperature readings were continuously monitored. There were no fluctuations in the temperature for the duration of the investigation.

Investigation timeline:

After determining baseline EMF and temperatures, the team members and the residents went to dinner to record without any interference from us.

Upon returning to the home, the investigation continued with the team members monitoring the equipment and the residents going about their regular routine.

The only time during the night that anyone was up when a camera was moved to a second location.

At 12:17 in the bathroom at the top of the stairs on the second floor the light turned off.

At 12:35 the bathroom at the top of the stairs on the second floor the light turned on.

The light turning off and back on was captured on video and there was no explanation found for the happening.

The audio recordings were not of any use because the dogs in the home were very noisy.

Conclusion:

The only unusual thing observed was the light in the master bathroom turning off and back on. Faulty wiring or some other naturally explainable condition could have possibly caused this, however we did not have the opportunity to return to the home to investigate further.

The predisposition of the homeowners to believing in the paranormal and the wife claiming that every place she had lived having some type of paranormal activity, along with the bumpy relationship appears to have added to the belief in paranormal events in the home.

The homeowners have decided to sell the home due to a job change in combination with the experiences at the home.