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WILDLIFE SASQUATCH IN SUBURBIA

YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO all the way to the red-wood forests of the Pacific Northwest to find a big-foot creature, or a Sasquatch.

At least that's what Joseph DeAndrade of Bridgewater says.

DeAndrade, 33, a security officer, had a close encounter of the shaggy kind 10 years ago, and now he leads expeditions into the infamous Bridgewater Triangle, searching for an answer to the mystery.

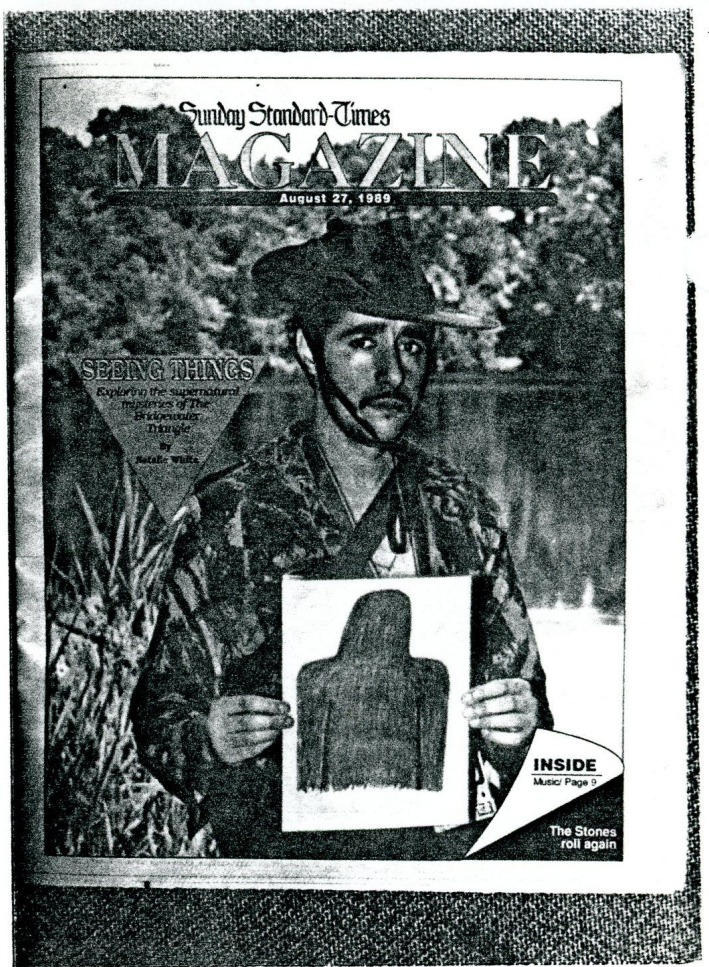
The Bridgewater Triangle, which includes parts of Bridgewater, West Bridgewater, and Raynham, is notorious as the scene of UFO and creature sightings, says DeAndrade. And the stories aren't coming from Bridgewater State Hospital, either. Some local police say that they've heard about such encounters, although West Bridgewater patrolman Philip Tuck, 50, insists, "I've

been in this town 14 years, and not once has a bigfoot been reported."

"I myself have seen a big-foot," says DeAndrade, referring to his 1978 experience in the Hockomock Swamp, a 5,000-acre woodland tract that spans several neighborhoods in the Bridgewater Triangle. "I saw it across a pond in the daytime," he repeats. "It walked like a man but real slow, like Frankenstein. I turned my head to tell my friend with me, then it was gone."

Undaunted by skepticism, DeAndrade also claims that he and several friends heard "horrificing, evil, hungry" howls during a 1985 Hockomock monster search. And he says that he will be leading "adequately armed" expeditions into the swamp again soon, in the hope of bringing back some physical evidence of the creature.

With DeAndrade and his creature seekers on the prowl, the bigfoot better watch its step—or at least stay on its toes. —David Gianatasio



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Hi, To: *All of my Town, Library*

My name is Mr. Joseph M DeAndrade, and I am the leader of the B.T.E.T. (Bridgewater Triangle Expedition Team) that I formed in 1985 to help me investigate and solve the mysteries of the Bridgewater Triangle.

If you would like to learn more about my team and I as well as the Bridgewater Triangle, then please be sure to send me a self addressed stamped envelope and mail it to the address above.

The article on your left is from the Boston magazine, and the photo above is from the front page of a New Bedford magazine. I was holding a drawing of the creature I saw while on a patrol in the winter of 1978 in Bridgewater.

*Sincerely,
Joseph M DeAndrade
Leader of the B.T.E.T.*