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## Marin couple's close encounter

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Lori Morgan was sitting on her bed when she saw the intense lights outside her house in Corte Madera.

"I was totally in a panic. It was the feeling I got that it was looking at me. I felt intensely examined. I was totally frightened by it," she said.

That was in February when Mrs. Morgan, 26, and her husband, Jerry Morgan, 38, saw what appeared to be a huge flying saucer near the home. The craft had two extremely bright lights and was hovering a stone's throw from the ground, Morgan said.

That was their first sighting. They weren't sure if they would ever see the craft again. But Tuesday, they said, they looked out their window and saw it hovering off the ground.

On Tuesday, Morgan said, "I just happened to look out the window and there it was again. It hovered out there for about three minutes this time. I went outside, and my wife went outside."

A third person also saw the craft, he said, but she is reluctant to talk publicly.

"It hovered out there for two or three minutes, and it just started lifting up and headed toward San Francisco. The first time it came over our heads I could have hit it with a rock, but it was farther away this time."

The Morgans are convinced that what they saw both times was a space ship and have come to believe since the first sighting that creatures from another planet are visiting earth.

But Morgan admitted he doubted his own sanity after the first sighting. He called numerous police agencies trying to learn if others reported sightings. He said it turned out that his wife's boss at a San Francisco restaurant also saw the craft that night and a San Jose newspaper reported sightings in that area.

"We got at least some reality that we weren't both crazy," he said.

When Mrs. Morgan saw the craft the first time, Morgan ran outside to check it out.

"It was about the size of two intersections, and it had two square headlamps on it. The headlamps were focused right above the house we live in," he said.

"At the time I thought maybe it was a helicopter. But there was no sound coming from it at that time. It hovered and then slowly, at about seven miles an hour, it came at us and then went over our heads.

"The feeling we got when this thing went over I can't even put into words. I was standing there stark naked looking up at this thing. I wasn't scared. "I can't say I consciously had any kind of communication, but a kind of intuitive knowing."

Mrs. Morgan said, "It was real kind of surrealistic when it flew over. It made a loud, kind of heavy machinery noise when it flew over."

She said her feelings of fear changed when the craft passed over the house. "I knew whoever was in there wasn't to do me any harm," she said.

"The second time it wasn't a close, intense feeling. The second time it was more like just a physical sighting."

Since that night, the couple have read about unidentified flying objects and become convinced that creatures from other planets are interested in helping earth. They also said their lives have changed.

"Since the first sighting our lives have gone throught changes," Morgan said, adding that they've met some new people and Morgan has a new job.

"It seems our lives have been put in some synchronicity. I know that what my job is to prepare people for the new approaching age," he said.

"The first one we saw was really a close encounter," Mrs. Morgan said.

What's more, the couple anticipate the craft's return. "I know beyond a shadow of a doubt that it will be back," she said.