

This Week In Doubtful News

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Here is a rundown of the top stories in oddities and paranormal news from the past week courtesy of [Doubtful News](#) .

Psychics made some claims this past week. First, in a not-too-risky prediction, stars and "feelings" say [Obama will win the election](#) .

A pair of psychics say the police could have solved a murder sooner [had they listened to their tips](#) .

A popular Norwegian psychic who was asked but declined the Million Dollar Challenge claims [his powers have diminished with age](#) .

A new study suggests [we know things before we know them](#) but it's not very impressive.

Failing to adequately warn of risk of a disaster through scientific means resulting in jail sentences for Italian scientists and officials. Then, their whole system of disaster preparedness [began to crumble](#) .

In additional promising earthquake prediction news, research suggests that the atmosphere can provide a [potential signal before large events](#) . Should we be looking up? And, does it help explain some anomalous observations before some earthquakes?

It's that spooky time of the year when scary stories invade your local news reports. There may be a logical reason why [you should NOT buy a "haunted" house](#) .

A new study shows that people give greater credibility to paranormal investigators [when they](#)

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The quest to find solid evidence of Bigfoot just got serious - to the tune of [\\$10 million dollars](#) .

Channeler of Ramtha, J.Z. Knight, [donates \\$50,000 to a political campaign](#) .

Maker of the dowsing-like bomb detector, Jim McCormick, [pleads not guilty](#) to fraud charges. One wonders what his defense could be.

Conspiracy theorist and proponent of very wild claims, David Icke, [draws large crowds](#) in the U.K.

Woman claims she was [cared for by monkeys](#) . But her story is not well-supported.

Finally, an [Indian child is sacrificed](#) in a ritual that promised to bring treasure. Never underestimate the power of belief.

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