

## 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](#) .

It was a busy, busy news week as Hurricane Sandy and Halloween dominated the weird news feeds.

As the hurricane hit New Jersey and New York, the news feeds exploded with rumors and [fake photos](#)

A [Twitter troll](#) added to the confusion and panic for reporters.

It was difficult to keep on top of [all the false news](#) rolling in.

It got weird as Obama was accused of [engineering the storm](#) just in time for the election.

The storm was [spun to suit lots of agendas](#) , political, mostly.

[This guy](#) made it a priority to keep any mention of global warming off the Wikipedia page for Sandy.

But, don't panic about the [rats](#) .

Halloween brings out the creepy stories en masse. The Polish church [called the holiday Satanic](#)

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There was panic over [potential run-ins](#) with sex offenders.

Then the [rare odd thing](#) appeared in trick or treat bags.

A poll about Halloween, the supernatural, and monsters turned into a [correlation between belief in demon possession and global warming](#)

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Speaking of demons, they were all over the place this week. In this story, a Colombian family said they have a [demon baby](#) .

And remember America's most popular "real exorcist", Rev. Bob Larson and his band of [teena ge girl exorcists](#)  
?

Well, his new show on Lifetime network [got canned](#) just prior to the premier over flak he received from an old anti-gay demon video.

No sympathy here.

Back to the election, supporters of Mitt Romney for President have organized a Mega Prayer event. It was backed by one of the [lamest misunderstandings about science](#) you'll have seen in a while, to the point where one questions if it's a joke or genuine.

In another display of sham science, a video game company is looking for an experienced paranormal investigator. You need to [know how to work the gadgets with blinky lights and stuff](#)

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Onto psychic news, the Merseyside Skeptics and U.K. crew tested psychics and delivered the results on Halloween. [They failed](#) but that was not acceptable to one psychic.

Jeff Probst, who has a new TV show, teams up with Mark Edward to [peer into the world of the psychics](#)

Why? Because of people like this woman who was bilked out of a LOT of money. In this case, the [psychic preyed upon her Christianity](#) as well.

Finally, a roundup of really weird stuff (as if the above wasn't enough...):

An anomaly investigation group [wonders if the days of UFOs are over](#) . Really? They may need to come across the pond.

A group of New Age believers [buried orgonite "energy devices"](#) at Serpent Mound state park. That's a BIG no-no.

Pilots are worried that conspiracy theorists who buy into the chemtrail idea [may try to shoot down planes](#)

And, it's the Russians, Yeti again, who [claim proof of a hairy hominid](#) in Siberia. Well, one Russian scientist. And no one seems to agree with him, so... take that for what it's worth.

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