CLIFTON PARK HALFMOON PUBLIC LIBRARY

November 20, 2023   7:15 PM   **Board Meeting**

1. *Agenda: Approval or Changes

2. *Minutes of the October 21, 2023 meeting for approval.

3. Public Comment

4. Board Comment

5. Treasurer's Report
   A. October Financial Statement
   B. *Warrants
      - #2023-20   October 25, 2023 $154,430.15
      - #2023-21   November 8, 2023 $170,888.47

6. Friends of the Library Report

7. Director's Report

8. Committee Reports
   A. Personnel Committee
      - Notes from the October 19, 2023 meeting
   B. Long Range Planning Committee
      - Notes from the November 6, 2023 meeting
      - Draft Strategic Planning Timeline

9. Old Business

10. New Business
    A. *Approve the appointments Maureen Hayes as substitute Librarian I.
    B. Amendment to By-Laws
    C. Firefighter Property Tax Exemption
    D. Suspension Appeal

11. Executive Session

* Items so marked are action items

October 21, 2023   9:00 am

Present: Brown, Megan; Cantore, Mat; Golden, David; McMunn, Maria; Meyer, Madison, Tom; Rodger, Ed; Srinivasan, Purushothaman; Wise, Russ. Also present were Alex Gutelius and Jim Foster.

Absent: Jason DiGianni and Steve Meyer.

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 am by Ms. McMunn.

AGENDA: Ms. McMunn presented the October 21, 2023 agenda. A **Motion** was made by Mr. Cantore, seconded by Mr. Madison, to approve the agenda. The **Motion** passed unanimously by all present

MINUTES:

A **Motion** was made by Ms. Brown, seconded by Mr. Wise, to accept the September 18, 2023 minutes as sent. The **Motion** passed unanimously by all present, except Mr. Madison, Ms. Dugan, and Mr. Srinivasan who abstained.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

BOARD COMMENT:

Mr. Cantore reported that he recently attended the Town of Clifton Park Celebrations Committee. At the meeting he spoke with Dave Miller who indicated the Town is ready to begin conversations with the Library about a path connecting the Library to the Town Center Park.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mr. Cantore presented the Financial Statement for September 2023. The Financial Statement was reviewed and received for audit.

The September 22, 2023 warrant for $1,185,513.03 was presented for approval. A **Motion** was made by Mr. Cantore, seconded by Ms. Dugan, to approve the September 22nd warrant. The **Motion** passed unanimously by all present.

The October 6, 2023 warrant for $181,090.79 was presented for approval. A **Motion** was made by Mr. Cantore, seconded by Ms. Brown, to approve the October 6th warrant. The **Motion** passed unanimously by all present.

Ms. Brown reviewed the September warrant.

Ms. McMunn reviewed the October warrant.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY REPORT: Mr. Foster gave the following report:

1. The Used Book Sale in September went very well. The next sale is scheduled for January 2024.
2. The Two Towns One Book committee is planning activities for early 2024 to go along with the selected book: Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus.
3. The Friends are considering a variety of library project to lend funding support.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Mr. Foster gave the following report on Public Service:

1. Plans for Staff Development Night on Thursday, November 16 are coming together. Topic: Long Range Planning, facilitated by Elissa Kane. We will also have department meetings and dinner.
2. Programs for Adults with special needs continue to go well. We're planning more activities this Fall, and Jim continues to meet and make connections with leadership at various organizations.
3. We are going to schedule a CPR class for staff.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Ms. Gutelius gave the following report on Planning and Communication

1. The November Staff Development night will include a two-hour planning session to get staff input into the next Strategic Plan. Elissa Kane will be facilitating the session with the staff.

2. We are working with the Southern Saratoga YMCA to offer joint programs, beginning with the Lunar New Year Program.

DIRECTORS REPORT: Ms. Gutelius gave the following report:

1. NY State announced that the minimum wage for New York State workers outside of New York City, Long Island, and Westchester will increase to $15.00 on December 31, 2023, $15.50 the next year, and $16.00 the following year. The Library will be increasing the hourly rate for pages to $15.75 effective January 1, 2024.
2. Ms. Gutelius reported that she expects the Firefighter's tax exemption to be on the November meeting agenda. It will involve holding a public hearing before the Board Meeting.
3. The tax cap report was submitted to New York State in early October.
4. Ms. Gutelius noted the information in the Director's Report about the installation of an emergency egress window. The Board agreed to proceed with this project.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Ms. Brown presented the information about the Grounds Maintenance Contract renewal to the Board. Ms. Brown made the **Motion**, on behalf of the Building & Grounds Committee to approve the Grounds Maintenance Contract renewal. The **Motion** passed unanimously by those present.

POLICY COMMITTEE: None.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: None.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: None.

LONG RANGE PLANNING: None.

FINANCE: None.

LEGISLATION: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

    Ms. McMunn acknowledged Mr. Michael Cook, who arrived after the initial Public Comment session of the meeting and allowed Mr. Cook to speak to the Board. Mr. Cook asked the Board to restore his visiting privileges to the Library. Ms. McMunn thanked Mr. Cook and told him the Board would get back to him with a response.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

    There being no further business, Ms. Brown made the **Motion**, seconded by Mr. Srinivasan, to adjourn the meeting. The **Motion** passed unanimously by those present and the meeting adjourned at 9:30 am.

    The next scheduled Board Meeting is Monday November 20, 2023 at 7:15pm.

Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library
Financial Statement   October 2023

Percentage of Year: 83.33%

RECEIPTS	Adopted Budget Jan 23	Adj Budget	Modified Budget	October	YTD	YTD as % of Budget	Variance
Governmental Income							
4010 Town of Clifton Park	$3,261,597.00	$0.00	$3,261,597.00	$0.00	$3,261,599.53	100.00%	$2.53
4020 Town of Halfmoon	$1,659,423.00	$0.00	$1,659,423.00	$0.00	$1,659,423.68	100.00%	$0.68
4040 LLSA	$16,283.00	$0.00	$16,283.00	$0.00	$18,132.00	111.36%	$1,849.00
4030 Bullet Aid	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%	$0.00
Subtotal	$4,937,303.00	$0.00	$4,937,303.00	$0.00	$4,939,155.21	100.04%	$1,852.21
Grants							
4110 SALS Programming	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$3,000.00	0.00%	$3,000.00
4130 NYS Education	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$270,763.00	$270,763.00	0.00%	$270,763.00
4150 DFY Municipal	$3,600.00	$0.00	$3,600.00	$0.00	$3,667.00	101.86%	$67.00
4160 Friends - Specified	$9,000.00	$0.00	$9,000.00	$0.00	$12,210.00	135.67%	$3,210.00
4170a Saratoga Arts	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%	$0.00
4170b Construction	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%	$0.00
4170e NCWIT Aspire IT Grant	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%	$0.00
4175 Construction Grant Challenge	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$3,792.00	0.00%	$3,792.00
4170 Other Grant	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$170.80	$170.80	0.00%	$170.80
4190 FEMA Grant Income	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%	$0.00
Subtotal	$12,600.00	$0.00	$12,600.00	$270,933.80	$293,602.80	2330.18%	$281,002.80
Donations							
4210 Patron Donations	$1,000.00	$0.00	$1,000.00	$100.00	$298.19	29.82%	-$701.81
4220 Friends - Unspecified	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%	$0.00
4230 Commemorative	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$900.00	0.00%	$900.00
4240 Other Donations	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$2,250.00	0.00%	$2,250.00
Subtotal	$1,000.00	$0.00	$1,000.00	$100.00	$3,448.19	344.82%	$2,448.19
Interest							
4310 Investment Income	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%	$0.00
4320 Unrealized Gain/Loss on Investment	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	($426.48)	0.00%	-$426.48
4330 Bank Interest Income	$1,000.00	$0.00	$1,000.00	$2,262.08	$17,269.55	1726.96%	$16,269.55
Subtotal	$1,000.00	$0.00	$1,000.00	$2,262.08	$16,843.07	1684.31%	$15,843.07
Other Income							
4410 Fines	$10,000.00	$0.00	$10,000.00	$2,435.14	$23,830.48	238.30%	$13,830.48
4420 Library Fees - Lost & Damaged	$5,000.00	$0.00	$5,000.00	$417.07	$3,855.19	77.10%	-$1,144.81
4431 Emp Books	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$50.44	0.00%	$50.44
4440 Copier	$15,500.00	$0.00	$15,500.00	$813.10	$8,855.21	57.13%	-$6,644.79
4450 Other	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$60.76	$866.12	0.00%	$866.12
Subtotal	$30,500.00	$0.00	$30,500.00	$3,726.07	$37,457.44	122.81%	$6,957.44
Total Receipts	$4,982,403.00	$0.00	$4,982,403.00	$277,021.95	$5,290,506.71	106.18%	$308,103.71
Applied Fund Balance	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%	$0.00
Subtotal	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%	$0.00
Total Receipts including Appropriations	$4,982,403.00	$0.00	$4,982,403.00	$277,021.95	$5,290,506.71	106.18%	$308,103.71

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DISBURSEMENTS	Adopted Budget Jan 23	Adj Budget	Modified Budget	October	YTD	YTD as % of Budget	Variance
Personnel							
7010 Salaries - Personnel	$2,392,533.00	$0.00	$2,392,533.00	$171,349.95	$1,718,738.94	71.84%	$673,794.06
7013 Contracted Services	$1,000.00	$0.00	$1,000.00	$450.00	$1,200.00	120.00%	-$200.00
7200 Insurance	$140,246.00	$0.00	$140,246.00	$16,542.29	$157,241.34	112.12%	-$16,995.34
7270 Employee Public Relations	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$1,149.90	$5,727.36	0.00%	-$5,727.36
7300 Benefits - Taxes	$181,636.00	$0.00	$181,636.00	$12,453.60	$125,281.83	68.97%	$56,354.17
7400 Benefits - Retirement	$250,000.00	$0.00	$250,000.00	$0.00	$56,395.00	22.56%	$193,605.00
7500 Benefits - Pass through	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$622.70	($1,204.30)	0.00%	$1,204.30
Subtotal	$2,965,415.00	$0.00	$2,965,415.00	$202,568.44	$2,063,380.17	69.58%	$902,034.83
Library Materials							
6010 Books	$161,438.00	$0.00	$161,438.00	$10,899.84	$115,069.12	71.28%	$46,368.88
6020 Periodicals	$14,000.00	$0.00	$14,000.00	$711.30	$14,989.31	107.07%	-$989.31
6030 AV	$57,000.00	$0.00	$57,000.00	$6,898.23	$40,443.78	70.95%	$16,556.22
6050 Digital Resources	$113,500.00	$0.00	$113,500.00	$9,262.02	$94,024.66	82.84%	$19,475.34
60000 Other	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$251.64	$840.88	0.00%	-$840.88
Subtotal	$345,938.00	$0.00	$345,938.00	$28,023.03	$265,367.75	76.71%	$80,570.25
Facility & Equipment							
6110 Bldg Svc Contracts	$213,022.00	$0.00	$213,022.00	$15,163.94	$171,585.16	80.55%	$41,436.84
6130 Office Equip	$5,500.00	$0.00	$5,500.00	$0.00	$6,464.50	117.54%	-$964.50
6140 Facility Insurance	$50,000.00	$0.00	$50,000.00	$0.00	$46,637.00	93.27%	$3,363.00
6150 Repairs - Bldg & Equipment	$46,000.00	$0.00	$46,000.00	$3,851.19	$187,640.35	407.91%	-$141,640.35
6160 Equipment Lease Expense	$28,050.00	$0.00	$28,050.00	$2,276.16	$23,028.71	82.10%	$5,021.29
61000 Other Fac & Equip	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%	$0.00
Subtotal	$342,572.00	$0.00	$342,572.00	$21,291.29	$435,355.72	127.08%	-$92,783.72
Operations							
6200 Programs	$46,920.00	$0.00	$46,920.00	$5,763.82	$40,840.95	87.04%	$6,079.05
6510 Automation	$225,000.00	$0.00	$225,000.00	$28,708.97	$184,743.18	82.11%	$40,256.82
6515 Custodial Supp	$9,000.00	$0.00	$9,000.00	$816.54	$8,187.29	90.97%	$812.71
6520 Elections	$5,500.00	$0.00	$5,500.00	$0.00	$2,868.06	52.15%	$2,631.94
6521 Insurance - D & O	$1,111.00	$0.00	$1,111.00	$0.00	$2,003.00	180.29%	-$892.00
6525 Membership Dues	$4,500.00	$0.00	$4,500.00	$0.00	$4,478.00	99.51%	$22.00
6530 Office & Lib Supplies	$22,500.00	$0.00	$22,500.00	$2,508.00	$21,832.81	97.03%	$667.19
6540 Postage & Freight	$6,500.00	$0.00	$6,500.00	$292.14	$4,481.92	68.95%	$2,018.08
6545 Professional Services	$33,000.00	$0.00	$33,000.00	$8,377.76	$103,955.93	315.02%	-$70,955.93
6551 PR & Printing	$11,000.00	$0.00	$11,000.00	$1,159.02	$11,144.87	101.32%	-$144.87
6556 Travel & Continuing Ed	$15,000.00	$0.00	$15,000.00	$12.62	$12,860.72	85.74%	$2,139.28
6575 Utilities	$100,000.00	$0.00	$100,000.00	$8,002.05	$84,630.63	84.63%	$15,369.37
6576 Building Security	$100,980.00	$0.00	$100,980.00	$0.00	$76,972.47	76.23%	$24,007.53
6581 Other Operational	$7,085.00	$0.00	$7,085.00	$164.36	$2,345.62	33.11%	$4,739.38
Subtotal	$588,096.00	$0.00	$588,096.00	$55,805.28	$561,345.45	95.45%	$26,750.55
Bonds							
6610 Town of Clifton Park	$503,782.00	$0.00	$503,782.00	$0.00	$503,781.65	100.00%	$0.35
6620 Town of Halfmoon	$236,600.00	$0.00	$236,600.00	$24,643.75	$236,600.00	100.00%	$0.00
Subtotal	$740,382.00	$0.00	$740,382.00	$24,643.75	$740,381.65	100.00%	$0.35
Other Expense Types							
	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%	$0.00
Subtotal	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.00%	$0.00
Total Disbursements	$4,982,403.00	$0.00	$4,982,403.00	$332,331.79	$4,065,830.74	81.60%	$916,572.26

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Cash – Bank Balances	
1040 Petty Checking	$224.25
1050 Petty Cash	$714.58
1051 Key Checking	$110,386.81
1052 Key MM Savings	$895,469.77
1055 Pioneer Checking	$197,905.87
1056 Pioneer MM Savings	$2,208,599.95
1060 Unemployment Fund Bond	$111,472.63
TTL CASH	$3,524,773.86
1100 Accounts Receivable	$1,829.58
12000 Undeposited Funds	$0.00
13000 Prepaid Expense	$0.00
Fixed Assets	$0.00
TTL ASSETS	$3,526,603.44
1071 Accrued credit card	$0.00
2000 Accounts Payable	$43,153.43
21000 Accrued Pay	$0.00
24000 Payroll Liab	$0.00
24100 Accrued Leave and Payroll	$0.00
24200 Accrued Expense	$0.00
TTL LIABILITIES	$43,153.43
TTL EQUITY	$3,483,450.01
	$0.00
TTL LIAB & EQUITY	$3,526,603.44

Fund Balance Reconciliation	
Year to Date Revenues	$5,290,506.71
Year to Date Expenses	-$4,065,830.74
Net Change	$1,224,675.97

Appropriations	Prior Month Balance	Use of Fund Balance	Current Balance
3006 Library Construction	$140,669.29	$0.00	$140,669.29
3000/3002 Automation App Fund	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
32000 Unappropriated Funds/Unrestricted Net Assets	$2,118,104.75	$0.00	$2,118,104.75
Fund Changes	$2,258,774.04	$0.00	$2,258,774.04

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Net Fixed Assets				
	12/31/22	12/31/2021	$ Change	% Change
LAND	$ 593,860.00	$ 593,860.00	0.00	0%
LAND IMPROVEMENTS	$ 13,781.00	$ 17,303.00	-3,522.00	-20.35%
COMPUTER EQUIP	$ -	$ -	0.00	0.00%
EQUIPMENT	$ 23,201.00	$ 33,122.00	-9,921.00	-29.95%
BUILDING	$ 7,632,665.00	$ 7,978,994.00	-346,329.00	-4.34%
TOTALS	8,263,507.00	$ 8,623,279.00	-359,772.00	-4.17%

Reconciliation	
Prior Month Fund Balance	$2,258,774.04
+ Net change (revenues - expenses)	$1,224,675.97
Subtotal	$3,483,450.01
- Total Cash	-$3,524,773.86
Accounts Payable	$43,153.43
Accounts Receivable	-$1,829.58
Prepaid Expense	$0.00
Accrued Payroll	$0.00
Undeposited Funds	$0.00
Accrued Leave and Payroll	$0.00
Accrued Expense	$0.00
Payroll Liab	$0.00
Credit Cards	$0.00
Fixed Assets	$0.00
Balance	$0.00

Children's Reno - Month: October 2023				
Account	Account Budget Jan 2023	Month Amount	YTD Total	Percent of YTD Budget
6150 Repairs - Bldg & Equipment				
Children's Library Reno 2023		$ -	$ 152,415.28	331.34%
Regular 6150 Repairs		$ 3,851.19	$ 35,225.07	76.58%
Total	$ 46,000.00	$ 3,851.19	$ 187,640.35	407.91%
6540 Postage & Freight				
Children's Library Reno 2023		$ -	$ 1,620.89	24.94%
Regular 6540 Postage		$ 292.14	$ 2,861.03	44.02%
Total	$ 6,500.00	$ 292.14	$ 4,481.92	68.95%
6545 Professional Services				
Children's Library Reno 2023		$ 7,187.81	$ 79,627.13	241.29%
Regular 6545 Professional Svcs		$ 1,189.95	$ 24,328.80	73.72%
Total	$ 33,000.00	$ 8,377.76	$ 103,955.93	315.02%

CONNECT AND COLLABORATE

Tote Bags for New Card Holders (age 14 and under)

The library has purchased new canvas totes that will be distributed to children aged 14 and under who sign up for a new library card. The tote will contain a color your own bookmark, a "I Got My Library Card" stocker, a K-12 brochure, and a CPH pencil.

Community Partnerships

A Lunar New Year events is being planned with the YMCA, to take place at the Library, in January or February. The Library last hosted a Lunar (Chinese) New Year in February 2020 right before the pandemic began.

Early Voting

The Library was an early voting location from October 28 through November 5. In 2024 the Library will be an early voting locations for the Presidential primary, the State primary, and the early voting in October/November. Particularly for the early voting in October/November we will be working closely with the Board of Elections to ensure the voting process is smooth, and that it doesn't unduly affect library operations.

MAXIMIZE LIBRARY ACCESS: INSIDE, OUTSIDE AND VIRTUAL

Outreach

The Library participated in several outreach events in October.
- Annually the Library has participated in the Halfmoon Trunk or Treat event. This year the estimated attendance was 1,300.
- On October 21st, staff attended the inaugural "New to Shen" event at High School East. This event was aimed at sharing information about local services to families who were new to the area.
- The Senior Expo returned to the Library. This Expo provides an opportunity for Capital District organizations that provide services to seniors to share that information with members of the community.

- The Library participated in the Great Give Back by supporting our community partner, CAPTIAN runaway & Homeless Youth Shelter, with a hygiene and necessities drive.

CREATE AND DELIVER COLLECTIONS, PROGRAMS AND SERVCIES

Programs

English Language Learning classes continue to b extremely popular at the Library. In addition to the introductory classes, the Library offered evening classes, Citizenship Classes and classes are offered via Zoom for those unable to attend in person. A new offering this fall are the ELL Computer Skills Class.

October also included the popular Sogetsu Japanese Flower Arrangement Show.

Other popular programs in October include:
- Halloween Hoot
- Pumpkin Paint and Sip Inclusible Adult Games
- Pokémon Costume Scavenger Hunt
- Kindness Paper Chain
- Teen Craft Corner: Inktober Drawing Challenge

Collections

The Library has been advised that the publisher Hachette, will no longer be producing physical audiobook titles effective January 1, 2024. This is the first publisher to announce this change. Audiobooks have always been a very popular item at CPH, but the circulation has been declining. Use of digital audiobooks continues to grow.

DEVELOP PEOPLE AND THE ORGANIZATION

Merit Pay

Staff and the Personnel Committee are exploring options for introducing a merit pay structure for Library staff. Addition investigation is required into developing an appropriate system of measurement and a budget for a merit pay program.

Roof Inspection and Repair

Greenwood Industries provided an annual maintenance and inspection of the roof and repaired minor tears and punctures and cleaned off loose debris and ponding water. There are two deficiencies that were not repaired under the maintenance and inspection contract, a hip metal enclosure and a TPO membrane failure near the condensation drain. We are working with Greenwood and other roofing companies to get quotes to have the repairs completed before the winter weather.

Prepared by: Alex Gutelius
                Library Director

Title	Date	Primary Event Type	Attendance	Adults	Teens	Children	Online Views
Concert: Maria Zemantauski	October 22 2023	Adults	52	48		4	
HYBRID: Demystifying Shakespeare	October 02 2023	Adults	12	4			
HYBRID: Demystifying Shakespeare	October 16 2023	Adults	12	5			
ZOOM: Creating Simple Tool Kits Using Three-Minute Tuto	October 11 2023	Adults	2				
ZOOM: Bring Your Content to Life	October 25 2023	Adults	2				
Journaling for Adults	October 04 2023	Adults	22	11	1		
Genealogy Assistance	October 05 2023	Adults	5	5			
English Language Learning (ELL) Evening Class	October 31 2023	Adults	12	10			
ZOOM: Intermediate English Language Learning (ELL)	October 05 2023	Adults	18	18			
ZOOM: Intermediate English Language Learning (ELL)	October 12 2023	Adults	15	15			
ZOOM: Intermediate English Language Learning (ELL)	October 26 2023	Adults	15	15			
Memories to Memoirs	October 10 2023	Adults	15	15			
Memories to Memoirs	October 17 2023	Adults	15	15			
Memories to Memoirs	October 24 2023	Adults	11	11			
ZOOM: Intermediate English Language Learning (ELL)	October 19 2023	Adults	16	16			
Beginner English Language Learning (ELL)	October 10 2023	Adults	36	36			
U.S. Citizenship Class	October 20 2023	Adults	7	7			
U.S. Citizenship Class	October 06 2023	Adults	6	6			
News Literacy: Evidence in the News	October 23 2023	Adults	7	7			
Basic Computer Skills	October 26 2023	Adults	3	3			7
Basic Computer Skills	October 19 2023	Adults	4	4			7
Basic Computer Skills	October 12 2023	Adults	5	5			5
Basic Computer Skills	October 05 2023	Adults	4	4			
Smartphone Q&A	October 04 2023	Adults	1	1			
Beginner English Language Learning (ELL)	October 31 2023	Adults	42	42			8
Beginner English Language Learning (ELL)	October 24 2023	Adults	36	36			
Beginner English Language Learning (ELL)	October 17 2023	Adults	38	38			
Beginner English Language Learning (ELL)	October 03 2023	Adults	39	39			
U.S. Citizenship Class	October 04 2023	Adults	8	8			
English Language Learning (ELL) Evening Class	October 24 2023	Adults	13	13			
English Language Learning (ELL) Evening Class	October 17 2023	Adults	22	22			
English Language Learning (ELL) Evening Class	October 10 2023	Adults	21	21			
English Language Learning (ELL) Evening Class	October 03 2023	Adults	20	20			
Beginner English Language Learning (ELL)	October 25 2023	Adults	41	41			
Beginner English Language Learning (ELL)	October 18 2023	Adults	37	37			
Beginner English Language Learning (ELL)	October 11 2023	Adults	36	36			
Beginner English Language Learning (ELL)	October 04 2023	Adults	30	30			
U.S. Citizenship Class	October 27 2023	Adults	7	7			
U.S. Citizenship Class	October 13 2023	Adults	6	6			
U.S. Citizenship Class	October 11 2023	Adults	9	9			
U.S. Citizenship Class	October 18 2023	Adults	7	7			10
Adult Craft Hour: Halloween Wreaths	October 03 2023	Adults	19	17	2		21
Connecting Threads Quilt Group	October 11 2023	Adults	9	9			17
Mindfulness in Nature	October 20 2023	Adults	13	13			17
Therapy Dogs for Adults	October 18 2023	Adults	14	14			
Download Ebooks, Audiobooks, Magazines, & Stream TV for	October 07 2023	Adults	14	14			
Foreign Film: Compartment Number 6 (2021)	October 12 2023	Adults	10	10			
ELL Computer Skills Class	October 05 2023	Adults	8	8			
U.S. Citizenship Class	October 25 2023	Adults	8	8			

Title	Date	Primary Event Type	Attendance	Adults	Teens	Children	Online Views
ELL Computer Skills Class	October 12 2023	Adults	7	7			
ELL Computer Skills Class	October 19 2023	Adults	8	8			
ELL Computer Skills Class	October 26 2023	Adults	5	5			
Wild Adirondack Journey	October 12 2023	Adults	28	27	1		
Book-to-Movie	October 13 2023	Adults	2	2			
Self-Advocating on Your Healthcare Journey	October 16 2023	Adults	4	4			
Appy Hour: Fun & Food!	October 03 2023	Adults	6	6			
Daytime Book Group	October 19 2023	Adults	8	8			
Mysteries & More Book Group	October 10 2023	Adults	6	6			
Inclusible Adult Games	October 17 2023	Adults	8	8			
Inclusible Adult Games	October 03 2023	Adults	8	8			
Red Cross Community Blood Drive	October 05 2023	Adults					
First Friday: Japanese Flower Arranging	October 06 2023	Adults	22	22			
Pumpkin Paint & Sip	October 19 2023	Adults	35	29	6		
ScratchJr Basics	October 11 2023	Children	8			8	
ScratchJr Basics	October 18 2023	Children	7			7	
Exploring an Eclipse	October 03 2023	Children	13	6		7	
Halloween Hoot!	October 29 2023	Children	116	51		65	
Famous Dogs & Cats Book Club: The Story of Diva and Flea	October 10 2023	Children	7	2		5	
Pokemon Costume Scavenger Hunt	October 23 2023	Children	409			409	
Family Story Time	October 23 2023	Children	74	34		40	
Music & Motion	October 20 2023	Children	68	30		38	
Family Story Time	October 30 2023	Children	63	30		33	
Family Story Time	October 16 2023	Children	56	26		30	
Family Story Time	October 12 2023	Children	54	25		29	6
Kindness Paper Chain	October 01 2023	Children	286			286	
Bilingual Story Time: Spanish	October 26 2023	Children	39	14		25	
Reading Therapy Dogs	October 24 2023	Children	3	1		2	
Reading Therapy Dogs	October 24 2023	Children	3	1		2	
Family Story Time	October 02 2023	Children	37	18		19	
Pokemon Costume Scavenger Hunt	October 16 2023	Children	182			182	
Preschool Story Time & Craft	October 11 2023	Children	29	11		18	
Pokemon Costume Scavenger Hunt	October 02 2023	Children	177			177	
Wonderful Walkers	October 13 2023	Children	33	17		16	
ZOOM: PJ Story Time	October 10 2023	Children	23	8		15	
Preschool Story Time & Craft	October 25 2023	Children	27	12		15	
Family Story Time	October 05 2023	Children	26	11		15	
Baby Story Time	October 13 2023	Children	32	17		15	
Pokemon Costume Scavenger Hunt	October 08 2023	Children	131			131	
Family PJ Story Time	October 24 2023	Children	20	9		11	
Preschool Story Time and Craft	October 18 2023	Children	18	7		11	
Fairy Tale STEM: Three Little Pigs	October 05 2023	Children	10			10	
Preschool Story Time & Craft	October 04 2023	Children	20	10		10	
Reading Therapy Dogs	October 24 2023	Children	2	1		1	
Reading Therapy Dogs	October 12 2023	Children	2	1		1	
Reading Therapy Dogs	October 24 2023	Children	2	1		1	
Reading Therapy Dogs	October 12 2023	Children	2	1		1	
Reading Therapy Dogs	October 12 2023	Children	2	1		1	

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Program Statistics – October 2023

Title	Date	Primary Event Type	Attendance	Adults	Teens	Children	Online Views
Kindness Paper Chain	October 15 2023	Children					
Art Cart: Owl Craft	October 03 2023	Children					
Pokemon Costume Scavenger Hunt	October 30 2023	Children					
Spooky House Photo Opp!	October	Children					
Art Cart: Pumpkin Face Craft	October 31 2023	Children					
Silent Wings: Live Bird Show	October 14 2023	General	109	50	19	40	
Family LEGO Build!	October 17 2023	General	19	9		10	
Sogetsu Japanese Flower Arrangement Show	October 07 2023	General	184				
Sogetsu Japanese Flower Arrangement Show	October 08 2023	General					
Telling Trails Tour: Fall Foliage Finds	October 21 2023	General	4	4			
Take and Make: Paper Bag Scarecrow	October 02 2023	Grab & Go	100			100	
Trunk or Treat at Halfmoon Town Park	October 28 2023	Outreach	1300	500		800	
New to Shen Event	October 21 2023	Outreach	48	35	5	8	
Helping Hands Outreach	October 17 2023	Outreach	66	17		49	
Tesago Monster Mash	October 27 2023	Outreach	373	165		208	
The Great Give Back	October 21 2023	Outreach					
Wednesday Bridges	October 04 2023	Outreach	6	6			
Senior Forum	October 25 2023	Outreach	2	2			
Senior Expo	October 21 2023	Outreach	130	130			
Donuts and Drawing: Teen Ink Drawing Tutorial	October 02 2023	Teens	14	1	12	1	
VolunTEEN: Advisory Program (VTAP)	October 23 2023	Teens	5		5		
Teen Craft Corner: Inktober Drawing Challenge	October 03 2023	Teens	75		75		
Therapy Dogs for Teens	October 19 2023	Teens					
VolunTEEN: Advisory Program (VTAP)	October 23 2023	Teens	2		2		
Teen Craft Corner: Inktober Drawing Challenge	October 22 2023	Teens					
Middle School Book Club: Gregor the Overlander	October 24 2023	Teens	5		5		
Teen Video Game Night	October 05 2023	Teens	13	1	12		
D&D Adventure Club	October 11 2023	Teens|Adults	6	2	4		
Beginner Python Programming	October 24 2023	Teens|Children	6		6		
Beginner Python Programming	October 17 2023	Teens|Children	9		9		
Beginner Python Programming	October 10 2023	Teens|Children	7		7		
Beginner Python Programming	October 03 2023	Teens|Children	7		7		
Tech Tutoring	October 18 2023	Adults	2	2			

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			January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	YTD 2023	YTD 2022
Borrowers		New	226	197	180	188	135	229	246	250	215	182	0	0	**2048**	2,011
		Purged*														
		TOTAL	37,567	37,501	37,343	37,373	37,074	36,972	36,908	36,787	36,226	36,101	0	0	**36,101**	37,687
Circulation	*Fiction*	Adult	8,676	8,212	9,492	8,783	8,910	9,415	10,397	10,949	9,361	8,902	0	0	**93,097**	91,716
		Young Adult	1,383	1,469	1,599	1,623	1,475	1,719	2,089	2,143	1,775	1,503	0	0	**16,778**	15,899
		Juvenile	13,544	13,746	15,697	13,990	12,450	15,186	17,374	17,149	13,993	14,391	0	0	**147,520**	140,799
	Non-fiction	Adult	5,351	5,138	5,924	5,474	5,543	5,295	5,750	5,850	5,169	5,326	0	0	**54,820**	53,217
		Young Adult	13	12	8	8	12	15	25	15	7	11	0	0	**126**	162
		Juvenile	2,036	1,851	2,085	2,055	1,767	1,737	1,992	2,092	1,543	1,618	0	0	**18,776**	17,942
	Audio	Adult	1,199	1,210	1,591	1,326	1,287	1,259	1,381	1,337	1,321	1,197	0	0	**13,108**	15,162
		Young Adult	0	18	29	43	0	21	27	35	15	8	0	0	**196**	355
		Juvenile	436	492	447	483	402	507	687	597	448	483	0	0	**4,982**	3,899
	DVD	Adult	4,240	4,119	4,519	3,843	3,882	4,025	4,426	4,678	4,102	4,213	0	0	**42,047**	44,597
		Juvenile	978	976	1,180	1,087	852	1,093	1,454	1,458	1,114	974	0	0	**11,166**	11,564
	Digital Media	eaudiobooks	3,795	3,464	3,722	3,479	3,441	3,502	3,666	3,879	3,425	3,726	0	0	**36,099**	33,220
		ebooks	3,852	3,461	4,025	3,677	3,726	3,800	3,875	3,500	3,381	3,418	0	0	**36,715**	39,207
		Music	110	94	110	110	113	104	113	108	82	105	0	0	**1,049**	1,008
		Serials*	1,258	1,050	1,133	1,144	1,048	1,071	918	1,046	1,324	2,644	0	0	**12,636**	9,847
		Comics (hoopla)	65	24	71	69	69	83	88	88	66	67	0	0	**690**	798
		Streaming Video/TV (hoopla)	358	356	304	336	260	239	285	312	288	298	0	0	**3,036**	3,438
	Other	Serials	473	415	593	469	507	539	606	510	452	498	0	0	**5,062**	5,709
		CD-ROM / Wii	490	480	504	465	418	522	619	601	465	440	0	0	**5,004**	3,794
		Uncatalogued	33	18	34	42	41	49	46	53	41	40	0	0	**397**	435
		Non-traditional	25	207	222	182	164	222	235	212	153	135	0	0	**1,757**	1,210
		Print	31,003	30,428	34,805	31,933	30,157	33,367	37,627	38,198	31,848	31,751	0	0	**331,117**	321,534
		AV	6,853	6,815	7,766	6,782	6,423	6,905	7,975	8,105	7,000	6,875	0	0	**71,499**	75,640
		Digital	9,438	8,449	9,365	8,815	8,657	8,799	8,945	8,933	8,566	10,258	0	0	**90,225**	88,589
		Other	1,021	1,120	1,353	1,158	1,130	1,332	1,506	1,376	1,111	1,113	0	0	**12,220**	11,148
		TOTAL	48,315	46,812	53,289	48,688	46,367	50,403	56,053	56,612	48,525	49,997	0	0	**505,061**	496,911
Technology		Database Usage	1,457	2,041	2,076	1,827	1,855	2,144	2,244	2,625	8,580	9,912	0	0	**34,761**	10,085
		Computer Use (sessions)	1,427	1,395	1,502	1,454	1,385	1,504	1,540	1,807	1,649	1,528	0	0	**15,191**	14,001
		Wireless Use	4,626	4,211	4,816	4,626	4,589	5,550	4,315	4,913	4,869	4,806	0	0	**47,321**	38,907
		PAC Use	15,211	13,396	14,902	13,877	13,778	14,160	15,395	13,877	14,098	14,820	0	0	**143,514**	146,222
		Website Visits	27,115	24,705	26,650	23,857	23,411	27,264	39,240	42,231	38,375	37,200	0	0	**310,048**	229,854
		iPad/Laptop/Device Use	4	13	19	11	17	0	5	0	0	24	0	0	**93**	118
		Fax 24/7 Use	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**	110

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		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	YTD 2023	YTD 2022
Programming	*Number of Programs*														
	Adult	41	37	44	38	51	36	25	32	47	66	0	0	**417**	393
	Teen	12	14	8	17	13	14	12	6	7	11	0	0	**114**	46
	Child 0-5	22	11	12	13	8	8	2	5	6	17	0	0	**104**	97
	Child 6-11	3	26	5	19	19	18	40	35	10	20	0	0	**195**	113
	General	5	4	2	2	2	5	5	2	4	5	0	0	**36**	16
	One-on-One	9	35	13	14	11	13	8	12	7	1	0	0	**123**	85
	Grab & Go	30	121	30	35	31	32	0	0	0	100	0	0	**379**	2,890
	Asynchronous	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**	6
	TOTAL	122	248	114	138	135	126	92	92	81	220	0	0	**1,368**	3,646
	Attendance														
	Adult	1,265	497	782	554	667	470	367	433	713	1,068	0	0	**6,816**	5,008
	Teen	179	96	109	276	145	205	74	195	53	149	0	0	**1,481**	508
	Child 0-5	753	482	657	574	361	387	57	199	284	659	0	0	**4,413**	3,336
	Child 6-11	32	1,285	467	279	956	1,438	2,796	2,341	745	1,858	0	0	**12,197**	4,539
	General	78	37	329	43	241	794	699	856	404	316	0	0	**3,797**	5,719
	One-on-One	9	36	13	14	11	14	8	15	7	2	0	0	**129**	94
	Grab & Go	30	121	30	35	31	32	0	0	0	100	0	0	**379**	2,900
	Asynchronous	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**	102
	TOTAL	2,346	2,554	2,387	1,775	2,412	3,340	4,001	4,039	2,206	4,152	0	0	**29,212**	22,206
Outreach	Events / Programs	6	12	10	9	3	5	6	4	1	8	0	0	**64**	10
	Attendance	120	454	260	683	117	188	140	77	75	1,925	0	0	**4,039**	1,288
Interlibrary Loan	Borrowed	6,805	6,026	7,032	6,363	6,439	6,335	6,774	6,816	6,174	6,353	0	0	**65,117**	58,928
	Loaned	3,231	2,933	3,536	2,988	3,035	3,070	3,053	3,273	3,288	3,209	0	0	**31,616**	30,067
	TOTAL	10,036	8,959	10,568	9,351	9,474	9,405	9,827	10,089	9,462	9,562	0	0	**96,733**	88,995
Reference	Ask Desk	2,422	2,581	2,589	2,204	2,055	2,101	1,035	2,748	2,241	2,015	0	0	**21,991**	21,342
	Children's Library Desk	1,141	1,396	1,300	1,208	1,038	1,676	1,752	1,977	1,211	1,287	0	0	**13,986**	11,540
	Computer Support	319	356	361	320	235	305	118	314	308	284	0	0	**2,920**	2,056
	TOTAL	3,882	4,333	4,250	3,732	3,328	4,082	2,905	5,039	3,760	3,586	0	0	**38,897**	34,938
Museum Passes		25	35	33	39	39	77	82	86	51	56	0	0	**523**	374
Visitors		22,607	20,027	24,201	20,718	20,894	26,328	24,457	26,048	23,202	23,206	0	0	**231,688**	192,642
Room Use	*Hours*														
	Library Programs	541	321	484	221	260	379	178	239	277	447	0	0	**3,347**	1,811
	Board/FOL/Staff	59	69	79	62	50	81	63	93	32	37	0	0	**622**	584
	Outside Organizations	176	158	138	437	69	152	91	123	140	132	0	0	**1,615**	1,320
	Room Checkouts	136	139	176	144	202	148	150	154	180	165	0	0	**1,594**	1,554
Outside Organization Meetings/Programs *(bookings)*		60	52	45	45	48	42	31	42	49	56	0	0	**470**	305
Collection Size (print & media)	Added	912	919	1,064	899	1,008	722	1,055	1,098	902	1,024	0	0	**9,603**	8,356
	Withdrawn	1,407	573	1,052	1,947	2,426	966	805	1,041	2,022	1,334	0	0	**13,573**	9,384
	TOTAL	156,092	156,255	156,311	155,294	153,650	153,796	153,685	153,707	152,511	152,196	0	0	**153,707**	156,923

CLIFTON PARK HALFMOON PUBLIC LIBRARY

October 19 2023   4:00 pm

Committee Members in attendance: Ed Rodger, Chair; Megan Brown; Suzanne Dugan; Russ Wise, and Alex Gutelius

1. Merit Pay
    - The Committee discussed the subject of introducing merit pay at the Library in order to recognize staff who consistently exceed the expectation of the position.
    - Committee discussed that would need a system of measurement, a budget, and what work would be required to get this type of project underway.
    - Ed will share information about the merit pay discussions with the full Board at the November 20th meeting.

2. Employee Handbook
    - Alex provided an overview of the updated Employee Handbook as well as a summary of the substantive changes to the Handbook.
    - Supervisory staff will be reviewing the handbook and changes will be incorporated for the Committee to review.
    - The Committee will review the handbook at the next meeting in November. If approved by the Committee, it will be included in the December Board Meeting package for approval by the Board.

3. Next Meeting Date
    - November 14 at 4:30pm.

November 6, 2023 7:30 pm

Committee Members in Attendance: Russ Wise, Chair; Jason DiGianni; Ed Rodger; Purushothaman Srinivasan, Maria McMunn, and Alex Gutelius

1. Strategic Planning Process – Timeline
   - The Committee reviewed the draft timeline for the strategic planning process
   - Alex will complete the draft for review; then to be shared at the November 20 Board Meeting
   - Alex

2. Other
   - Alex will contact Elissa to ask about the turnaround time for the notes from the November 16 staff workshop; hopefully by the November 20th Board Meeting
   - Alex will look into listening training opportunities to see what options are available.

3. Next Meeting Date - TBD

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Date	Action	Responsibility
October 2023	Visioning/Plan to Plan	Board
November 2023	Draft Strategic Planning Process Timeline to Board	LRP Committee
November 2023-January 2024	Hire new Asst. Director Planning & Communication	Director
January/February 2024	Active Listening Training	Board
December 2023-March 2024	Data Collection • Internal/external • Oher libraries • Census & School District • Two Towns	Staff Board
March-July 2024	Community Outreach Period • Identify stakeholder • Develop protocols, questions, surveys • Collect feedback	Staff Board Community
August 2024	Special meeting - Analysis of collected information	Board Staff
September 2024	Drafting of Strategic Plan	Staff (ass. Director Planning & Comm.) LRP Committee
October 2024	Adopt New Strategic Plan	Board
October/November 2024	Celebrate adoption of New Strategic Plan • Communicate with staff • Communicate with public	Staff Board

• The Long Range Planning Committee will meet monthly during the Strategic Planning Process

ARTICLE I – <u>Background and Collateral Documents</u>

The Clifton Park-Halfmoon Library District (hereinafter "the District") was created by vote of the residents of the District on February 28, 2002 pursuant to the authority of Chapter 370 of the laws of 2001, and subject to its being chartered by the Board of Regents. On February 11, 2003, the Board of Regents amended the existing Charter of the Shenendehowa Public Library to change the chartered service area to include that portion of Halfmoon outside the limits of the Mechanicville and Waterford school districts.

The above actions added a portion of the town of Halfmoon to what had been the Clifton Park Library District, doing business as the Shenendehowa Public Library. The Clifton Park Library District came into being upon the vote of the residents of Clifton Park on September 5, 1985, pursuant to the authority of Chapter 519 of the laws of 1985, and a provisional charter granted by the Board of Regents on December 13, 1985, which became effective December 31, 1985. Also effective December 31, 1985, the Board of Regents dissolved the education corporation known as the Shenendehowa Free Library, and directed the transfer of its assets to the Shenendehowa Public Library. The provisional charter was made absolute by Regents action on December 18, 1992.

ARTICLE II – <u>Operating Procedures</u>

The enabling legislation described above and the charters of December 31, 1985 and February 11, 2003, contain provisions which substantially control the procedures to be followed in the operation of the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library (hereinafter "the Library"). Various provisions of the Education Law, other statutes (both state and federal), the Rules of the Board of Regents, and regulations of the Education Commissioner of the State of New York also bear on the manner in which the library must be operated. The purpose of the bylaws that follow is to complement and supplement the aforesaid authorities and to provide guidance on matters of policy and procedure in the operation of the library. All questions of

order not provided for in any of the aforesaid authorities or in these bylaws shall be determined in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order.

ARTICLE III – Board of Trustees

A. Composition of the Board: The District shall be managed, operated, and controlled by a Board of eleven trustees constituted in accordance with Chapter 370 of the Laws of 2001, Chapter 519 of the Laws of 1985 and section 226 of the Education Law.   Any trustee who fails to attend three consecutive meetings without reasons accepted as satisfactory by the Board shall be deemed to have resigned. Trustee vacancies may be filled with qualified candidates appointed by the Board. Such appointments shall expire at the end of the calendar year following the next regular library district election in which they are appointed. At any regular election if more than one seat is being filled, the qualified candidate with the most votes will fill the longest term.

B. Officers of the Board: An organizational meeting will be held each year within 7 days of January 1st. The purpose of this meeting shall be to:
   *   elect officers,
   *   administer the oath of office to all trustees,
   *   appoint Counsel, Recorder, and Secretary,
   *   adopt an annual calendar,
   *   set election date,
   *   solicit committee interest so that appointments can be made at the regular January meeting,
   *   provide trustee education and orientation as necessary.

   No other business shall be conducted at this organizational meeting; all other business shall be conducted at the scheduled regular meeting of the Board.

<u>Role of the Nominating Committee</u>

Prior to the final meeting in the year preceding officer elections, the President shall recommend to the Board a Nominating Committee of three Board members.

The Nominating Committee shall not include any current officers. The Board shall approve the appointment of the committee by a majority vote. The nominating committee shall seek and evaluate candidates for the offices of president, vice-president, and treasurer.

At the final meeting of the year preceding officer elections, the nominating committee will make its recommendation to the full Board for consideration and discussion.

<u>Election Process</u>

At its organizational meeting in January, the Board shall elect a president, vice-president, and treasurer, who shall be members of the Board. The nominating committee will present the recommended officers for consideration and discussion. Nominations from the floor will be considered in accordance with Roberts' Rules of Parliamentary Procedure.

If the only candidates for office are those presented by the Nominating Committee, they may be elected as a slate by a majority vote of the Board. If there are any contested races, then a separate election must be held for each office and the winner shall be determined by a majority vote of the full Board. If there is no majority of present voting Board members a runoff will be held among the top two candidates, with a majority vote of present voting Board members determining the winner.

The elected officers begin their term immediately upon conclusion of voting. The term of office for each of the aforesaid officers shall be one year, and no

individual shall hold the same office for more than three consecutive terms. The duties of each office shall be as follows:

1. <u>President</u>: The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board and preserve order. He or she shall enforce the by-laws and perform such other duties as the by-laws shall direct. He or she shall appoint all committees and shall be a member ex-officio of all committees. The President shall have the power to call special meetings of the Board as well as meetings of all committees whenever he or she deems it necessary. The President shall jointly, with the Treasurer have authority to sign all bank drafts and checks. The President shall have the authority to act for the Library between meetings of the Board unless the matter at issue involves a conflict between or among the enabling legislation, the charter, and/or the bylaws. Should the President be precluded by illness or otherwise from performing his or her duties, the Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President.

2. <u>Vice-President:</u> The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in the event of the President's absence or disability, and shall succeed to the office of the President upon the resignation or death of the President. If both the President and the Vice-President are absent from a meeting, then any member of the Board may call the meeting to order, and the members present shall elect a chairman *pro-tem*. In the event the President or Treasurer is not available, the Vice-President shall have the authority to sign all bank drafts and checks.

3. <u>Treasurer</u>: The duties of the Treasurer, in addition to those specified in Section 4 of Chapter 370 of the Laws of 2001, shall be to ensure the keeping of accurate records of all monies received and disbursed by the Library and to make a report thereof to the Board at each regular meeting and at such other times as the Board shall require. The

Treasurer shall jointly, with the President, have authority to sign all bank drafts and checks on behalf of the Library.

C. Appointees of the Board

1. Counsel: Counsel to the Board shall not be a member of the Board but shall be an attorney admitted to practice in the State of New York. Counsel shall attend all meetings of the Board, regular and special, and such committee meetings as the Board shall require. It shall be Counsel's duty to advise the Board on all legal matters and to prepare and review such documents as the Board shall deem appropriate.

2. The Recorder: The Recorder shall attend all meetings of the Board, regular and special, and such committee meetings as the Board shall require and shall record the minutes of such meetings.

3. Secretary: The secretary shall be responsible for the posting of legal notices for the annual elections required by the enabling legislation, for certifying the results of said elections, for advertising for and receiving applications for all positions in the professional staff of the Library which are appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Board, for developing, in conjunction with the President of the Board and the Director of the Library, the agenda for each monthly meeting of the Board, and such other duties as the Board shall require.

D. Employees, Consultants, and Independent Contractors: The Board shall have the authority to retain or employ such professional or other consultants, independent contractors or employees as it shall deem appropriate, including but not limited to architects, engineers, accountants, library consultants, and public relations consultants on such terms and for such periods as it deems appropriate.

E. <u>Board Records</u>:   The Library Director shall be responsible for the maintenance and safekeeping of all records of the Board, including minutes of meetings of the Board and of its subcommittees, and all financial records.

ARTICLE IV – <u>Director</u>

The Director of the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library is not a member of the Board of Trustees, but shall be entitled to attend all meetings of the Board and to take part in the deliberations.

ARTICLE V – <u>Committees</u>

The President shall not later than the second meeting of the Board each year appoint a Chair and not less than two (2) members of the Board to serve on each of the following standing committees: (a) Building and Grounds, (b) Personnel, (c) Public Relations, (d) Policy, (e) Legislative, and (f) Long Range Planning. The President shall not later than the second meeting of the Board each year appoint not less than two (2) members to serve on the Finance and Audit Committee, which shall be a standing committee. The Treasurer of the Board shall serve as a member and the Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee. Other committees may be appointed as needed to serve until discharged by the Board, and such other committees may be composed in whole or in part of individuals other than Board members. A quorum for the transaction of any committee business shall consist of a simple majority of the members of the committee.

ARTICLE VI – <u>Meetings</u>

The Board shall meet monthly at a time and place designated by the Board. In no event shall meetings be held less frequently than quarterly. The President may call

a special meeting of the Board on not less than 72 hours notice. A quorum for the transaction of business at any such meeting shall consist of a simple majority of the entire Board.

ARTICLE VII – Order of Business

The order of business at all regular meetings shall be as follows:

1. Election of Board Officers or Chairman *pro tem*, as necessary
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes of last meeting
4. Public Comment
5. Board Comment
6. Acceptance of Treasurer's Report
7. Report of Director
8. Reports of Committees
9. Unfinished Business
10. New Business
11. Adjournment

This order of business may be changed at any meeting by general consent.

ARTICLE IX – Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library shall be the calendar year.

ARTICLE X – Policies

Policies adopted by the Board shall be recorded in the minutes and shall be kept in a separate policy book.

ARTICLE XI – Conflict of Interest

No trustee or director or any member of their immediate families shall personally benefit financially from any transaction made by or on behalf of the Clifton Park-

Halfmoon Public Library. No applicant for employment with the Library shall be considered disqualified for such employment solely because they are related by blood or marriage to a trustee or director, and such employment shall not constitute "financial benefit" with the meaning of this Article. Members of the Board of Trustees may not be employed by the Library.

ARTICLE XII – Amendments

Amendments to these bylaws may be proposed at any regular meeting and shall be voted upon at the next regular meeting. Written notice of the proposed amendment or amendments shall be sent to all members at least ten days prior to the voting session. A simple majority of the whole Board (including vacancies) shall be sufficient for adoption of an amendment. ~~These bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting by a vote of the majority of the entire Board, or if the amendment was submitted in writing at the previous meeting, then they may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those voting, a quorum being present.~~

Initial Adoption Date: 5/19/1986

Modified Date	Description of Modification
6/16/1997	
3/15/2004	
09/19/2005	
12/19/2005	
3/19/2007	Added organization meeting date and agenda
07/16/2007	Added term limits to officers
3/21/2011	Added Long Range Planning as a standing committee
6/15/2015	Changed Finance Committee to Finance and *Audit*
12/21/2015	Added trustee education and orientation to Organizational Meeting
3/21/2022	Added detailed information about the nominating process for officers
2/27/2023	Edited Article V to define that the Treasurer is the Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee

11/20/2023	Added the Vice-President as an authorized check signer. Changed the process for bylaw amendment proposals.

Real Property Tax Law § 466-a was signed by Governor Hochul in December 2022 and creates an opt-in for local governments, including special district libraries, to provide a property tax exemption to volunteer firefighters and volunteer ambulance workers.

Legislation
- The law allows for a property tax exemption of up to 10% for volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers who meet a minimum service requirement of between two and five years.
- Additionally, a lifetime exemption may be provided to volunteers with at least 20 years of service as long as they maintain their primary residence in the county they have served.
- Taxing jurisdictions may also allow un-remarried surviving spouses of eligible volunteers to retain the exemption.
- The exemption is permanent after 20 years of service, as long as the residence remains the volunteer's primary residence.
- The exemption is extended for the lifetime of a surviving, un-remarried spouse of deceased volunteer, if the deceased volunteer's service was at least 20 years.
- Line-of-duty death event allows for the continued tax exemption for an un-remarried spouse.

Eligibility
- Property must be:
  - Primary residence and owned by the volunteer firefighter or ambulance worker.
  - Located within the jurisdiction served by the volunteer fire company, fire department or ambulance service.
  - Used exclusively for residential purposes.
- Fire district/ambulance company must certify eligible volunteers that organization and service requirements are met.

Fiscal Impact
- The exemption is applied to the taxable assessed value of the property.
- The tax levy would be distributed across the remaining taxable assessed value in the district after exemptions were made.

In order to calculate the estimated tax impact a number of facts and assumptions were used:
- Clifton Park currently has 65 applications for the firefighter tax exemption and Halfmoon has 30.
- A true value of $450,000 was used for property value for the calculations.

Town	True Value	EQ Rate	AV	Tax Rate	Tax Bill
Clifton Park	450,000	0.3900	175,500	1.3226	232.12
Halfmoon	450,000	0.4250	191,250	1.2137	232.12

- A 10% exemption would provide a tax savings of approximately $23.21 for the Firefighter/EMT homeowner.

Based on the 2024 assessments and the current number of applications, the impact on the rest of the tax district would be to increase the taxes on a house with a true value of $450,000 by $0.10 annually.
- The tax rate for Clifton Park would increase from 1.3226 to 1.3232
- The tax rate for Halfmoon would increase from 1.2137 to 1.2142

If the number of applications increased to 200 for Clifton Park and to 100 for Halfmoon, the impact on the rest of the tax district would increase the taxes on a house with a true value of $50,000 by $0.40 annually.
- The tax rate for Clifton Park would increase from 1.3226 to 1.3244
- The tax rate for Halfmoon would increase from 1.2137 to 1.2153

Process
- A public hearing is required prior to the Board passing the resolution.
  - The public hearing would be promoted through the Library's regular PR as well as with a legal notice in the Times Union and Daily Gazette.
- The public hearing could be scheduled immediately prior to a regular board meeting.
- The resolution could be presented at the Board meeting and voted on by the trustees on the same day as the public hearing.
- If the resolution is passed, it would be filed with the State, Office of Real Property for Saratoga County, and the Towns of Clifton Park and Halfmoon.
- The exemption would be applicable for the 2025 tax year.

Draft Resolution

WHEREAS, pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 466-a, the Board of Trustees of the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library desires to offer a tax exemption on the primary residence of eligible volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers residing within the library district and who have served a minimum of 2 years; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on this matter on November 20, 2023; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library hereby adopts the Property Tax Exemption for eligible volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers, permitting residential property exemptions of 10% for eligible volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers residing within the Library District and who have served a minimum of 2 years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 466-a, the Board of Trustees of the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library shall provide a lifetime property tax exemption of 10% on the primary residence of eligible volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers with twenty (20) years of service within the library district and who maintain their primary residence within the same library district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library shall provide a property tax exemption of 10% to eligible un-remarried spouses of deceased eligible volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers, subject to the requirements of Real Property Tax Law Section 466-a; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library shall provide a property tax exemption of 10% to eligible un-remarried spouses of deceased eligible volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers who died in the line of duty, subject to the requirements of Real Property Tax Law Section 466-a; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this local law shall be effective immediately, available to eligible volunteer firefighter and ambulance workers for the 2025 tax year and shall continue until rescinded or amended by resolution of the Board of Trustees.

Application: An application form for such exemption and a certification provided by the appropriate authority having jurisdiction shall be filed with Town Assessor for the Town of Clifton Park or the Town Assessor for the Town of Halfmoon on or before the taxable status date of each year or as otherwise prescribed by New York State.

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POLICY 3.12   SUSPENSION POLICY

Need for this Policy

In order to maintain a comfortable and safe environment for all patrons and library staff, the Board of Trustees has approved Policy #3.1, the Rules of Conduct for Library Users. This Suspension Policy describes actions that may be taken when patrons violate those Rules of Conduct. Suspension of library privileges may result in removal from and denial of access to the Clifton Park–Halfmoon Public Library facility and services for a designated period of time. The Library reserves the right at all times to immediately discharge a patron who is dangerous or in any way threatening to other patrons, library staff, or library property.

Policy

When a patron has violated the Rules of Conduct the Library Director or designee will address the situation as follows:

Warnings
1.   Provide the patron with a copy of the Rules of Conduct for Library Users and explain to the patron how the behavior is violating the Policy and the importance of abiding by the Rules of Conduct. The patron will be advised that he/she may be asked to leave the library facility if unable to comply with the Rules of Conduct.
2.   Complete an Incident Report form to document the warning and submit it to the Library Director's office.

Suspensions
1.   When a patron continues to violate the Rules of Conduct for Library Users, the Library Director or designee will review previous incident reports, and then instruct the patron to leave the library facility for the day.
2.   Suspensions for longer than one day may be issued if a patron violates the Rules of Conduct, at the discretion of the Library Director or designee.
3.   Depending on the severity of the incident, a patron may be suspended for a maximum of 52 weeks.
4.   If a decision is made to suspend a patron for more than the remainder of the day, the Library Director or designee will complete a "Notice of Library Suspension" letter, and provide a copy to the patron. If the patron is a minor (under the age of 18), the Library will attempt to notify the minor's parent or guardian, and provide the parent or guardian with a copy of the letter.
5.   An Incident Report documenting the suspension will also be completed by the Library Director or designee and placed on file in the Library Director's office.
6.   Any patron who is suspended for longer than one day is entitled to an appeal.

Appeals
1. A one-day suspension cannot be appealed.
2. Patrons suspended for more than one day may contact the Library Director in writing within five days of the suspension. The Library Director or designee will review the patron's appeal, as well as Incident Reports and related documentation. The patron may also request an appointment with the Library Director or designee to discuss the suspension.
3. The suspension period may be terminated or shortened, or remain in place at the discretion of the Library Director or designee who will then inform the patron of the decision in writing.
4. The patron may appeal the decision of the Library Director or designee to the Library Board of Trustees via a written notice of appeal within ten days after the receipt of that decision. The notice of appeal must be sent to both the Library Director and the Library Board President, care of: Clifton Park–Halfmoon Public Library, 475 Moe Road, Clifton Park, NY 12065.
5. The Library Board of Trustees will review the appeal at its next regularly scheduled meeting. The patron will be provided with notice of the meeting date, and may appear in person. If the patron is a minor (under the age of 18), a parent or guardian must accompany the minor to the meeting.
6. The patron will be notified by letter of the decision of the Library Board of Trustees after they have reviewed the appeal. The suspension will remain in effect until this decision is made.
7. Any patron appealing a decision to the Library Board of Trustees shall be aware that the meetings of the Board of Trustees are, by law, open to the public. The Board's discussion and consideration of an appeal, including the underlying facts and any statements made by the appealing patron shall, generally, be done in a public forum. Consequently a patron should not have an expectation of privacy with regard to his or her appeal.

Responsibilities:

It is the responsibility of the Library Director or his/her designee to enforce this policy.

Initial Adoption Date: 11/18/2013

Modified Date	Description of Modification
2/25/2019	Minor wording changes

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POLICY 4.5   COMPUTER AND INTERNET USE

Need for this Policy:

A policy is needed to ensure appropriate use of public computer and Internet resources.

The mission of the Library is to provide educational, informational and recreational resources to patrons of all ages, cultural, and economic backgrounds. The Library is committed to protecting intellectual freedom, promoting lifelong learning and providing materials and resources that accomplish these objectives. As part of its mission to meet the needs of the community, the Library provides computers which allow public access to a variety of electronic resources including the library catalog, databases, software and the Internet.

Policy:

To promote equitable access to computer and Internet resources, the Library utilizes software to manage computer reservations, time limits and printing. This system requires patrons to enter a valid library card number or visitor's pass number to access a computer. Clifton Park-Halfmoon Library tax district residents who wish to access Library computers on a regular basis are requested to obtain a library card. Visitors may obtain a daily visitor's pass.

In order to ensure the use of computer and Internet resources is consistent with the mission of the library, computer stations will be located where they can be monitored for assistance and security.

All prospective users of Library computer and Internet resources must read and agree to abide by the Computer and Internet Use Policy.

The Library upholds and affirms the right of each individual to have access to constitutionally protected materials. Thus adults and children 15 years of age and older are responsible for proper use of Library computers and the Internet. Persons under the age of 15 may have full access to the Internet if they obtain written permission from a parent or legal guardian.

The Library may impose reasonable restrictions and conditions on the use of technology available to patrons.

The Library may charge for some services such as printing.

The Library reserves the right to change computer hardware or software offered to the public at any time.

Library computer and Internet resources may be used only for lawful purposes. Examples of unacceptable purposes include but are not limited to:

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- Attempting to alter or damage computer or network equipment, software configurations, or files belonging to the Library, other users or external networks
- Attempting unauthorized entry to the Library's computers or network or external networks
- Violation of copyright or communications laws
- Violation of software license agreements
- Transmission of speech not protected by the First Amendment, such as libel and obscenity

The Library strives to balance the rights of patrons to access different information resources with the rights of patrons and staff members to work in a public environment free from harassing sounds and visuals. Patrons are asked to remain sensitive to the fact that they are working in a public environment shared by people of all ages, with a variety of information interests and needs. In order to ensure an efficient, productive computing environment, the Library insists on the practice of cooperative computing. This includes:

- Respecting the privacy of other users
- Not using computer accounts, access codes, or network identification codes assigned to others

Viewing material of a generally inappropriate or offensive nature, including sexually explicit materials, is not allowed. Any patron viewing content inappropriate for a public building will be asked to leave for the day. If the misuse continues the patron will be banned from using the Internet at the Library.

Responsibility:

It is the responsibility of the Director and his/her staff to enforce this policy.

Initial Adoption Date: 9/19/97

Modified Date	Description of Modification
9/20/2004	
9/19/2005	
8/20/2007	
5/14/2012	
10/20/2018	Lowered age from 18 to 15 when parental permission for Internet not required.

Incident Rpt # 1

Gutelius, Alex

A new Incident Report Form has been submitted:
Form Name: Incident Report Form
Submitted: Oct 04, 2022 10:57 AM
Submission ID: 11414642
Report link: https://cphlibrary.libwizard.com/forms/reports/9f10746cc66a5b5ff2f77916a1bdba7e

Date and Time:
10/03/2022 09:00 am

Deputy Brownell

Staff Involved:
Alex Gutelius

Type of Incident (check all the apply)::
odd letter

scription of Incident::
Supervisors - I am filling this form out online so you have this information. This is a fuller description relating to the situation i emailed to everyone regarding the Sheriff's Deputies who were at the Library the morning of 10/3/2022. This is just FYI. Upon arrival at the Library on Monday, I discovered a UPS envelope in my mailbox, with a note attached indicating it was to be given to me. The envelope included several pages of information from an individual named Michael Cook. It was odd and rambling, included a lot of technical information and mentioned CASSIE, and a bit disturbing, but there was no threat. However the Sheriff was mentioned, along with some other odd details. I called the non-emergency number for the Sheriff's department, and two deputies arrived. The deputies were very familiar with Michael Cook. He is a local resident (although currently living in the woods) and has ties to the community. According to the deputies he has some mental health issues, but is of no danger to staff or other patrons. He is knows for his "manifestos" according to the deputies. They read through the documents and agreed there was no threat. Because Michael Cook was at the library when they arrived, they took the opportunity to speak with him. He was asked to go outside with the deputies to speak with them about a matter unrelated to the Library. I have seen Michael at the library for a while and except for one incident when he didn't want to leave the computer lab, I don't think he has caused any issues.

Name of Person Involved/Injured::
Michael C. Cook

Description of Person Involved::
white male approx 35 years old, with dark hair and beard.

Name of Staff Member Completing Report::
Alex Gutelisu

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Official Action Taken::
No other action is being taken at this time.

Gutelius, Alex

	cph-users; CPH-Pages
Subject:	Sheriff's deputies

Some of you may have seen the two sheriff's deputies that were at the library this morning, and might be wondering why they were here. There is no cause for alarm. I received some documentation that I wanted to review with the deputies, and while they were here, they escorted a patron out of the library to speak to him on a matter unrelated to the Library. According to the deputies, the patron is harmless and does not pose a threat to staff or other patrons. If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

Alexandra Gutelius
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|\      Associate Degree in Information Technology (Drafting & Design/Multimedia) | Portfolio Award/CRCATS    /|
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|\     | Secure Digits Plus LLC (π) - Clifton Park, NY |                     | 10/2018 - 08/2022 |            /|
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|\        | CEO/Security Engineer, NISSP, DevOPS Engineer, Investigative Journalist, Cybercommando |           /|
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|/     [+] Portfolio Development for Applications, as well as Investigative Journalism                         \|
|\     [+] Main development focus: (C#/PowerShell/.NET) module development, codename [FightingEntropy(π)]      /|
|/     [+] [FightingEntropy(π)] is a MODULE for PowerShell which automatically installs itself, as well as...  \|
|\         (installing/configuring) Windows Server 2016/2019, Windows 10 Home/Education/Pro, RHEL/CentOS, and  /|
|/         FreeBSD/OPNsense/pfSense via the [(Microsoft Deployment Toolkit - by Michael T. Niehaus)]           \|
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|\        | Secondary | https://github.com/mcc85sx/FightingEntropy |                                           /|
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|\     [+] [FightingEntropy(π)] areas of development:                                                          /|
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|\        |  Primary  | Active Directory Domain Services | Windows Deployment Services | Hyper-V/Veridian | DNS |/|
|/        |_____| DHCP | [FightingEntropy(π)][FEInfrastructure]: https://youtu.be/6yQr06_rA4I (← Expert) |\|
|\        | Secondary | Extensible Application Markup Language | Graphical User Interface design | Unix/FreeBSD |/|
|/        |_____| IIS/Internet Information Services | Razor/Blazor/ASP.Net | Conceptualizing R&D projects|\|
|\        | Tertiary  | Investigating: ID THEFT | CYBERCRIMINAL ACTIVITIES | GOVERNMENT CORRUPTION | ESPIONAGE |/|
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[====( Former Employers )================================================================================]
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\    Computer Answers - Clifton Park, NY                                            10/2015 - 07/2019       /
/    Chief Technology Officer & Business Solutions Expert                                                   \
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||   [+] Developed scripts and protocol, quality assurance, overseeing (productivity/training) of employees ||
||   [+] Featured on WTEN Alert Desk via Andrew Banas regarding SmartTV's at https://youtu.be/-jkDPv9H6BQ   ||
||   [+] Set highest sales record in the company to date, in August 2017                                    ||
||   [+] Rebuilt all of the networking equipment, point of sale equipment, server/router/access point       ||
||       configuration, surveillance system/cameras, and DHCP configuration/deployment, for ALL 7 stores    ||
||   [+] Deploying and configuring Clients/Servers/Routers/Switches/Access Points/receipt printers/SmartTV's…||
||       …led to the founding of [Secure Digits Plus LLC], successor to [Mike's PC Repair], in order to build||
||       a program that does all of this configuration, in a similar manner to:                             ||
||         _____                ||
||        | Google Kubernetes | Microsoft Azure | Amazon Web Services | VmWare vSphere | Cisco SD-WAN |      ||
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||   [+] Upgraded each store network to gigabit Ethernet internally, as well as installation of:            ||
||         _____                                 ||
||        | Security Gateways using | pfSense | OPNSense | HardenedBSD | FreeBSD |                           ||
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\    KeyCorp - Albany, NY                                                            03/2016 - 12/2016      /
/    Help Desk Level (I & II) Support Engineer                                                              \
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||   [+] Provided support to (KeyCorp/KeyBank) employees over the phone and over Key's Inter IM client,      ||
||       Cisco Jabber, for various FIRST and SECOND level help desk support tickets                         ||
||   [+] First experience with System Center Configuration Manager, which utilizes core aspects of the      ||
||       Microsoft Deployment Toolkit and other Microsoft-centric programs/applications                     ||
||   [+] Exposure to Active Directory Administration was rather limited in this position (typically used for ||
||       password resets), brief contact with Organizational Units, Site Links, Lotus Notes, Exchange,      ||
||       vSphere/eSXI, Group Policy Objects, RSA Encryption/Software tokens, KeyCounselor/HOGAN             ||
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\    Metroland/Lou Communications - Albany, NY                                       01/2007 - 01/2014      /
/    Distribution Contractor & IT Consultant                                                               \
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||   [+] Distributed the newspaper Metroland for several years throughout the Greater Capital Region         ||
||   [+] Eventually they were in need of IT services from 'Mike's PC Repair' in September 2012              ||
||   [+] Documented & moved their network from 420 Madison Ave, Albany NY - 523 Western Ave, Albany NY while ||
||       upgrading old Dell based Win NT 4.0 server to 1U blade server w/ (2x AMD CPUs, Windows Server 2008) ||
||   [+] Migrated ALL data from an older system that publishers used for archiving (weekly/legacy) content   ||
||   [+] Assisted John Bracchi with (printers/network storage for PUBLISHERS via Adobe (PS & Illustrator):  ||
||         _____                  ||
||        | mapping printers | domain logins | emails/Outlook | making sure that Ted Etoll was happy |       ||
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||   [+] Limited use of domain resources, otherwise most services were DISTRIBUTION of the newspaper        ||
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\  Nfrastructure - Clifton Park, NY                               09/2010 - 01/2011  /
/  Computer (Hardware/Printer/Network) Technician                                    \
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||   [+] Staged machines to be used for Point-Of-Sale systems for the Adidas-Reebok of North America, as well  ||
||       as testing, repairing, and maintaining a rolling inventory of computers, monitors, receipt printers,   ||
||       handheld devices, bar code scanners, & label/form printers (Epson)                                     ||
||   [+] Made DAILY warranty calls to HP for Elite 8100/8200's, AND Dell for various (laptops/workstations)     ||
||   [+] Repaired, inspected, and maintained full-size (Lexmark/HP) stack printers for various NYS agencies     ||
||   [+] Imaged THOUSANDS of computers to be used for various New York State companies and gov't agencies:      ||
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||       | Dept. of Transportation | CSMIN | Golub Corporation | Office of People with Disabilities Dept. |     ||
||       | Dept. Of Correctional Services | Adidas-Reebok of NA | Testcomm of New York and Massachusetts  |     ||
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\  TEKsystems - Albany, NY                                        06/2006 - 05/2019  /
/  Various (Computer/Network) related roles                                          \
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||   [+] Completed Pittsfield MA Census Bureau deployment (2009-2010) | KeyCorp (2016) | Patroon Creek (2017)  ||
||   [+] Trinity Health/St. Peters Hospital 02/2019 [Interview] - Potential client was seeking to build an     ||
||       entirely new domain physically as well as ASP.Net overhaul, already developing [FightingEntropy(π)]   ||
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\  Hearst Corporation - Albany, NY                                04/2006 - 04/2009  /
/  Distribution Contractor & Accounts Receivable Collector                           \
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||   [+] Provided distribution throughout lower Saratoga County, as well as the Greater Capital Region          ||
||   [+] Daily paper drops were required in early morning hours after they are printed (2AM-4AM), and stores    ||
||       would either be open or closed; some stops needed priority treatment (primarily Stewarts Corp)         ||
||   [+] Drifted in the snow a lot, found new ways to drop off newspapers, drove a minimum of 90 miles/night    ||
||   [+] Collected and calculated return payment amounts, deposited into bank account with Bank of America      ||
||   [+] Worked under (Kenny/Patrick Bernard) for Q122, Q107, Q121, & Chris Jones for daytime return routes     ||
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\  New Horizons Learning Center - Albany, NY                      01/2008 - 01/2009  /
/  CompTIA & Microsoft Certifications Track                                          \
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||   [+] Completed certifications from CompTIA A+/Network+, MCP/MCDST                                           ||
||   [+] Hands on support with hardware, and operating systems Windows (XP Pro/Home/Server 2003)               ||
||   [+] Studied server technologies and services: FTP, File Server, WINS/DNS/DHCP, RSAT/WSUS, Certificates,   ||
||       Active Directory, Group Policy, Drivers, Wireless, IIS 6.0, VPN Encryption, & Virtual Server          ||
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\  ITT Technical Institute - Albany, NY                           06/2004 - 06/2006  /
/  Information Technology: Drafting & Design, Multimedia                              \
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||   [+] Received Associate degree in (IT/Drafting and Design-Multimedia)                                       ||
||   [+] Course studies included:                                                                              ||
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||       | 2D/3D graphic, print AND web design AND publishing | Portfolio Development | Problem-Solving |       ||
||       | Instructional Design | Micro Economics | CompTIA (A+/Network+) | Intro to Visual Basic .Net |        ||
||       | Macromedia | [ Flash / Director / Dreamweaver] (HTML/CSS) and flash animation        |              ||
||       |      Adobe | [ Premiere / After Effects ] video | [ Photoshop / Illustrator ] photo  |              ||
||       | AutoDesk 3DS | scene/character modeling | lighting | texturing | rigging | animation |              ||
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\  Capital Region Career and Technical School - Albany, NY        09/2001 - 06/2003  /
/  Microsoft System Administration, CompTIA A+/Network+, & Cisco Certified Network Academy  \
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||   [+] While attending Shenendehowa High School, this 2-year vocational program consisted of hands-on lab    ||
||       environment experience, and studies related to the above curriculum                                   ||
||   [+] Briefly acted as (Student Network Administrator), using (MMC/Microsoft Management Console) snap-ins,  ||
||       HyperTerminal, Novell Netware IPX/SPX, Windows XP/Server 2000 Workgroup, and some Red Hat Linux       ||
||   [+] Received an in-depth year with Cisco (routers/switches) via RS232                                     ||
||   [+] Participated in NYS competition at (SCCC/Schenectady County Community College), & ITT Tech            ||
||   [+] Received an award from the school for Portfolio Development at final graduation ceremony              ||
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| 10/01/22 | CASSIE | https://github.com/mcc85s/FightingEntropy/blob/main/Docs/2022_1001-(CASSIE).pdf |

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10/01/22 - This morning I awoke from a dream, in that dream, many things happened as I was walking around the town of Clifton Park, NY. In one portion of the dream, I had a chance to speak to my childhood best friend, and he felt insulted by the notion that I wrote a document about how "a best friend might commit espionage to you"…
https://github.com/mcc85s/FightingEntropy/blob/main/Docs/2022_0929-(Write%20Progress%20Extension).pdf

…the reality is that I would never accuse HIM of committing espionage to me. However- uh, various OTHER PEOPLE ARE committing ESPIONAGE to EVERYBODY… and, people get REALLY UPSET when you EXPLAIN to them HOW that is ALREADY HAPPENING…

That's right. People will IMMEDIATELY LABEL YOU, as "DELUSIONAL", if you go around talking about ESPIONAGE TOOLS. For instance… WikiLeaks, Vault 7. I write about it in my book:

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| TOP DECK AWARENESS - NOT NEWS: Used to be news…? Now it's Not News. Not News. Part of the Not News Network |
| https://github.com/mcc85s/FightingEntropy/blob/main/Docs/2022_0823_TDA_Not_News.pdf             |
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| CHAPTER 7 - USA-PATRIOT Act of 2001 and Surveillance Capitalism                                |
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| WikiLeaks, Vault 7 loadout…                                                                    |
| [01] Year Zero               [~] Documentation                                                 |
| [02] Dark Matter             [~] Apple iPhone (Sonic Screwdriver, Password bypass)             |
| [03] Marble                  [~] Obfuscation framework                                         |
| [04] Grasshopper             [~] Shape-shifting malware                                        |
| [05] HIVE                    [~] Advanced phishing Man-In-The-Middle                           |
| [06] Weeping Angel/Willow    [~] SmartTV's microphone & WiFi (can be deployed via internet/Walmart) |
| [07] Scribbles               [~] Adds a beacon to particular documents                         |
| [08] Archimedes              [~] Hijacks control AND traffic on a device                       |
| [09] After Midnight/Assassin [~] Malware with payload scripts/Blue screen of death             |
| [10] Athena                  [~] Hijacks Windows Remote Access Services/Domain Name Service     |
| [11] Pandemic                [~] Infects SMB shares and spreads to others                      |
| [12] Cherry Blossom          [~] Hijacks control of ROUTERS/ACCESS POINTS                      |
| [13] Brutal Kangaroo         [~] Infects thumb drives, makes hidden network                    |
| [14] Elsa                    [~] Collects GPS coordinates from WiFi radios                     |
| [15] Outlaw Country          [~] Targets Linux OS, hijacks outbound traffic                    |
| [16] Bothan Spy/GyrFalcon    [~] Swipes SSH creds for Windows/Linux                            |
| [17] High Rise               [~] Targets Android, hijacks SMS                                  |
| [18] Raytheon                [~] Research and development regarding attack vectors             |
| [19] Imperial                [~] Suite of tools for Unix based OSs (and Apple stuff)           |
| [20] Dumbo                   [~] NMAP for WiFi/BT cameras, can ALSO corrupt footage            |
| [21] Couch Potato            [~] Hijacks RTSP/H.264 video streams                              |
| [22] Express Lane            [~] A biometrics nightmare                                        |
| [23] Angel Fire              [~] Various Windows exploitation                                  |
| [24] Protego                 [~] Tool for missile control systems                             |
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VAULT 7 is chock full of things related to SMARTPHONES, SMART TV's, COMPUTERS, LAPTOPS, CONSOLES, OPERATING SYSTEMS, NETWORK DEVICES, ROUTERS, SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS, all being COMPROMISED by tools developed by the:

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| CIA/CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY |
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…and that CORPORATIONS, in addition to DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE SERVICES, are USING these tools.

The COOL thing is, I literally went to the CLIFTON PARK PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING and told NYSP TROOPER ENNIST on 06/24/20, that I have the SAME AMOUNT OF EXPERIENCE as a FORENSIC INVESTIGATOR…? And, TROOPER ENNIST LAUGHED IN MY FACE. A lot of the police DO this, they think what I'm saying is RIDICULOUS, as well as SO MANY OTHER PEOPLE. That's because ALL of the people who think I'm being RIDICULOUS, are MORONS. That's the end of the conversation.

So, I absolutely HAVE to resort to calling many people: MORONS. Why…? Because it's a BETTER ALTERNATIVE than BREAKING SOMEBODY'S LEGS when they WAVE ME OFF for thinking I'm being RIDICULOUS. Ya know…? I'm not gonna think to SAY something like that if it's a little kid that doesn't know any better, even an adult who obviously doesn't know any better. However, when it is a person of AUTHORITY (POLICE/LAWYERS/JUDGES/ETC.), then I DEFINITELY will.

Calling people a MORON when they accuse me of being RIDICULOUS when I have DECADES OF EXPERIENCE…
…versus, BREAKING SOMEBODY'S LEGS when they accuse me of being RIDICULOUS. What's the BETTER ALTERNATIVE…? Hm…?

Here's the reality. The FIRST AMENDMENT of the CONSTITUTION LEGALLY ALLOWS ME TO MAKE THESE STATEMENTS.
I'm NOT BREAKING ANY LAWS by expressing this LINE OF REASONING, especially when I'm using these statements
METAPHORICALLY.

Word	Type	Definition
METAPHORICALLY	ADVERB	in a way that uses or relates to metaphor; figuratively.
METAPHOR	NOUN	figure of speech where a (word/phrase) is applied to an (object/action) to which it is not literally applicable.
LITERALLY	ADVERB	in a literally manner or sense; exactly
LITERAL	ADJECTIVE	taking words in their usual or most basic sense without metaphor or allegory

I use these above words EXTENSIVELY in ALL OF MY DOCUMENTS, why…?
Because, SO MANY PEOPLE ARE OBLIVIOUS MORONS WHO DON'T KNOW THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN OPINIONS AND FACTS.
SOMETIMES AN OPINION IS ALSO A FACT. (← THAT IS A "FACT")

Most of the time, OPINIONS are JUST opinions, but very RARELY, OPINIONS are ALSO a FACT.
Apparently, only INTELLIGENT PEOPLE can detect WHEN an OPINION is ALSO A FACT.
When they're NOT INTELLIGENT, they can't tell the difference between an OPINION and a FACT.
That's what the word INTELLIGENT actually means, to be able to TELL THE DIFFERENCE.

Taking a step back from DEFINITIONS TO WORDS and stuff…
Many people in our SOCIETY are OBLIVIOUS, and they don't understand what the CONSTITUTION 1) IS, or 2) DOES.
I think the REASON for that is because our SOCIETY PRIORITIZES PEOPLE THAT LOOK REALLY GOOD, over FACTS.
So what happens is that REALLY GOOD LOOKING PEOPLE don't NEED to have their FACTS in order, and they ALWAYS WIN.

What I just said sounds pretty MESSED UP, RIGHT…? WELL, BASED ON THE NUMEROUS OBSERVATIONS I HAVE MADE ABOUT OUR
GOVERNMENT AND HOW CORRUPT MANY INDIVIDUALS IN IT, ARE…? WHAT I JUST SAID IS ACTUALLY A FACT.
A lot of people don't really CARE about 1) FACTS, 2) the CONSTITUTION, or 3) if they're ALREADY BEING SPIED ON.

But also, the POLICE are typically MORONS, and they don't really UNDERSTAND nor CARE ABOUT, "HOW" these ESPIONAGE
TOOLS are CURRENTLY BEING USED by CERTAIN PEOPLE with a LOT OF MONEY or EXPERIENCE WITH COMPUTERS to lawlessly
monitor OTHER PEOPLE for FINANCIAL GAIN. (← That's how a lot of MORONS get paid, THAT IS A "FACT".)

When I was a kid, I played this game called "connect the dots". It turns out that people like BRUCE TANSKI, and
MOST OF THE LOCAL POLICE…? They're terrible at this game, "connect the dots".

That's right. If the idea sounds RIDICULOUS…? It means YOU are RIDICULOUS. Because if something SOUNDS RIDICULOUS,
but it is ACCURATE…? Then, it's not RIDICULOUS at all. It shouldn't be THAT ridiculous AT ALL, to SPECULATE, that
SOMETIMES…? RICH PEOPLE GET RICH OFF OF EAVESDROPPING. Case in point, (FACEBOOK/CAMBRIDGE ANALYTICA), perfect
example. But also:

| 02/25/22 | Censorship on Facebook | https://youtu.be/Jmq4yBqGhTs |

So, what's happening in THAT PARTICULAR VIDEO, is CENSORSHIP on FACEBOOK.
What do I mean…? Well, take for instance, if ANYBODY makes a COMMENT on FACEBOOK, right…? They can go right
ahead, and see when people 1) COMMENT BACK, 2) RESPOND, 3) REACT, 4) post a SMILEY FACE, 5) etc.

But, in MY SPECIFIC CIRCUMSTANCE…? Nobody can actually see any of my CONTENT, POSTS, COMMENTS, or ET CETERA…
…why…? Watch the video. I have about a DOZEN VIDEOS that showcase a SIMILAR or MUCH MORE EXTREME VERSION OF THAT.
It also occurs on REDDIT, it WAS occurring on YouTube, it WAS occurring on StackOverflow, and et cetera.

The REASON why it happens…? Is because I've caught some VERY IMPORTANT PEOPLE doing some INCREDIBLY QUESTIONABLE
STUFF. ILLEGAL STUFF THAT VIOLATES EVERYBODYS CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES AND FREEDOMS, and it is HIGHLY CRIMINAL.

In fact, if you TELL the police about this stuff…? They will IMMEDIATELY attempt to ARREST YOU.
I'm not even remotely kidding about that. The reason that it SOUNDS STUPID…? Is because the police really are that
stupid, and that's the end of the conversation.

Now, allow me to return to the DREAM that I had… I went to some place where Toys R' Us used to be, and walked in,
and talked to some girl there, and told her that I had an idea to build a program that is capable of providing
potential eavesdroppers or espionage artists, a well-placed kick to the face.

She told me to come BACK LATER, and then when I eventually RETURNED…? She tells me that she spoke to her BOSS, and
her BOSS accepted my PROPOSAL, and then I asked the girl for HER NAME…? And she said "I'm CASSIE."

/ Overview

Constructors /

Much how in PROGRAMMING, CONSTRUCTORS are required in order to provide a PROGRAM…?
I have to talk about VARIOUS COMPONENTS of an IDEA that I have, to implement a NETWORK BASED OPERATING SYSTEM
that manages VIRTUAL MACHINE INSTANCES, so that TERMINALS can allow USERS to have their own PROFILE that DOESN'T
HAVE TO DELETE ANYTHING IN THAT USERS' SESSION…

I have spent the last (3) months or so going to:

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| Clifton Park/Halfmoon Library | 475 Moe Road, Clifton Park, NY |
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The COOL thing is, I have MORE EXPERIENCE than their IT staff… but I don't go around bragging about it or anything.
The problem is, if I use the TERMINALS to do my work…? I have to PLUG IN A USB THUMBDRIVE, and then run a script
that opens all of the programs I'd need to use, to edit my documents, and then I've got about 4 hours of time to
use the terminal, and if I don't SAVE all of my documents from that SESSION to the THUMBDRIVE or my web browser…?

Oh well. They're ALL gone. This hasn't necessarily happened to ME, per se, however, I've seen numerous people come
into the computer lab to do work, and then they say "The computer FROZE on me and then it deleted the 4 hours'
worth of work that I did~!"

Well, guess what…? I have SEVERAL IDEAS on how to make that a THING OF THE PAST. In varying ways, too.

First off, I am literally an expert. Each machine in the building uses a mechanical HDD.
In the following table, I will provide a number of EXHIBITS that showcase a PICTURE as well as a DESCRIPTION, of
things I will discuss in the next section, "PROPOSAL".

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| This is a standard-issue 3.5" mechanical hard disk drive.      |
| It uses MORE POWER than a typical LAPTOP hard disk drive, which is |
| SMALLER, at 2.5", and these things tend to go bad after a few years, |
| ESPECIALLY when a program like CASSIE has to WIPE THE ENVIRONMENT and |
| start it back off from SCRATCH, literally 100% of every single time the |
| terminal is used.                                             |
|                                                               |
| The drawback with these hard drives is this:                  |
| Every few years, they start to WEAR DOWN their MECHANICAL MOVING PARTS, |
| and thus the SENSORS and CYCLIC REDUNDANCY CHECKS start to FAIL. |
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| Badly performing drives will actually reduce a users' experience in the |
| lab, anywhere between 5 minutes, to 2 hours (depending on the activity) |
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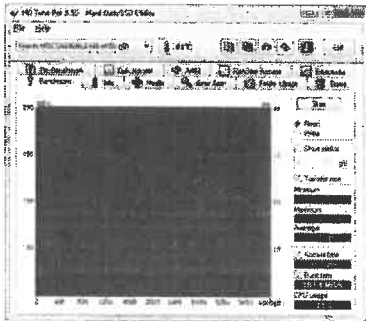


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| This is a program called HD Tune. What it DOES, is it allows a SYSTEM |
| ADMINISTRATOR, to DETERMINE WITH SHEER ACCURACY, whether a drive is |
| FAILING, and NEEDS TO BE REPLACED… it has several features:    |
|        -------------------------------------------------       |
|        | 1) Read/Write speed                          |       |
|        | 2) Cyclic redundancy checks                  |       |
|        | 3) Powered on hours                          |       |
|        | 4) Health                                    |       |
|        | 5) Graphs that showcase how the drive performs |      |
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| However, if you really want to show people that you're an EXPERT like I |
| am…? Then you have to inform people about various other ideas, such as: |
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| 1) SOLID STATE DRIVES that EXPONENTIALLY OUTPERFORM a MECHANICAL DISK |
| 2) DISKLESS NETWORK OPERATION                                 |
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| This is a standard-issue 2.5" LAPTOP hard disk drive, and it is ALSO an |
| (SSD/SOLID-STATE DRIVE). What SEPARATES an SSD from a MECHANICAL DISK |
| DRIVE, is the fact that a SOLID STATE DRIVE has NO MECHANICAL PARTS IN |
| IT that:                                                      |
|        -------------------------------------------             |
|        | 1) MOVE                                  |             |
|        | 2) DEGRADE FROM HAVING TO MOVE ALL THE TIME |          |
|        -------------------------------------------             |
| Smartphones and tablets all have SSD's in them as well. Sometimes, they |
| are INTEGRATED into the (MOTHERBOARD/LOGIC BOARD), such as on every |
| smartphone on earth. The (4) BLACK THINGS on the BOARD are NAND flash. |
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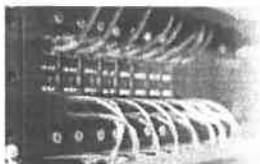


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| This is a picture of a NETWORK SWITCH, or a SERVER BACKPLANE  |
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| The wires on the TOP are ETHERNET (probable 10GBPS Ethernet), and the |
| wires on the BOTTOM are FIBER OPTIC CABLES (at or above 10GBPS). |
|                                                               |
| Typically, FIBER OPTIC CABLES are used to connect to other distribution |
| points with a VERY HEAVY LOAD ON BANDWIDTH spanning LONG DISTANCES. |
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| ETHERNET is generally good for about 100m/300ft.             |
| FIBER OPTICS are generally good for MILES, depending on the mode. |
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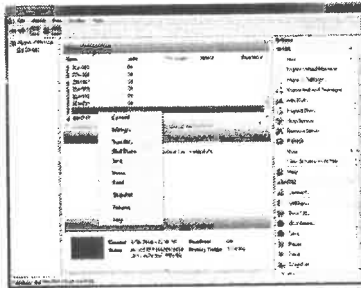
This is a screenshot of a program called "Hyper-V" which was made by a legion of real smart people, otherwise known as "SOFTWARE ENGINEERS". They're not just ANY software engineers, either. Nah.

The SOFTWARE ENGINEERS who made this program featured to the left…? They work at the place that has historically, been the TRUE location, of where the world's BEST software engineering has ALWAYS taken place.

| One Microsoft Way, Redmond WA 98052 |

That ADDRESS really gives away the name of the COMPANY, MICROSOFT. MICROSOFT is like a chain of endless well-placed kicks to the face, of 1) PROBLEMS as well as 2) POTENTIAL PROBLEMS… They've ALSO developed WINDOWS, REMOTE DESKTOP PROTOCOL, and POWERSHELL.
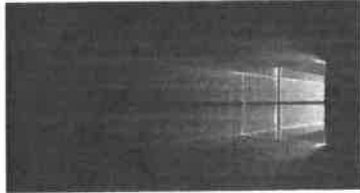
This is a picture of the DESKTOP from MICROSOFT WINDOWS 10. What SOME people might not realize, is that ALL of the COMPUTERS in the lab…?

I believe they could ALL be FREELY UPGRADED to Windows 11. I'm not POSITIVE of that. However, they all have a Windows 7 license that can be UPGRADED, LEGALLY, without breaking any rules or whatever. I'm a MICROSOFT CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL, and I perform many of the same roles as a MICROSOFT CERTIFIED SYSTEM ADMINISTRATOR, and MICROSOFT CERTIFIED SECURITY ENGINEER.

MICROSOFT WINDOWS features some REALLY COOL STUFF, like REMOTE DESKTOP PROTOCOL, and POWERSHELL…
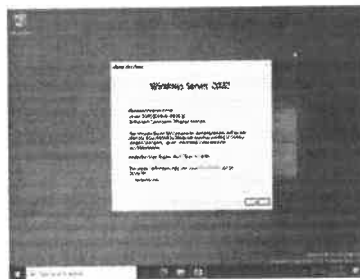
This is a picture of MICROSOFT WINDOWS SERVER 2022. It has the ability to manage (DHCP/DYNAMIC HOST CONTROL PROTOCOL), (DNS/DOMAIN NAME SERVICE), (ADDS/ACTIVE DIRECTORY DOMAIN SERVICE), (WDS/WINDOWS DEPLOYMENT SERVER), (IIS/INTERNET INFORMATION SERVICE), (Hyper-V /Veridian), and Remote Desktop Services.

With (1) REALLY WELL BUILT MACHINE…? All of the processing load on each individual workstation within a library, or really, wherever… could be DISPLACED by utilizing a number of really well-built ideas that I've featured in many of my videos…

1) PowerShell Deployment FE Wizard | https://youtu.be/1ZX5fAgczz0
2) FightingEntropy FEInfrastructure | https://youtu.be/6yQr06_rA4I

I'll discuss HOW these videos showcase what level EXPERT I am, soon.
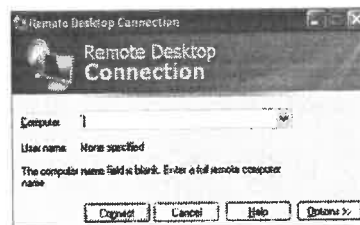
This is a screenshot of REMOTE DESKTOP CONNECTION which utilizes the REMOTE DESKTOP PROTOCOL. It's EXTREMELY SIMILAR to (VNC/VIRTUAL NETWORK CLIENT/CONNECTION), however this is the OFFICIAL method that EXPERTS USE to remotely access OTHER workstations.

Microsoft uses this EXTENSIVELY, so do EXPERTS.

This is used PRIMARILY to have a GRAPHICAL USER INTERFACE connection to a particular system. However, WinRM can ALSO be used to remotely manage terminals. WinRM requires CERTIFICATE CHAINS and GROUP POLICY OBJECTS to be CRAFTED correctly, in order to use it SAFELY/SECURELY.

Windows
PowerShell

This is a picture of who I believe… is actually either its' OWN character, OR it's a representation of CORTANA, developed by Microsoft.

Not really sure WHO this avatar is supposed to be. It's cool, though. Anyway, PowerShell, is the programming language that I use, and it is based on C Sharp. It features SO MANY well-placed kicks to the face…? That really- it is the BEST there is.

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Anybody who wants to be taken seriously, HAS to consider... Once upon a time, a guy by the name of JEFFREY SNOVER started working at Microsoft. This man, had to climb the corporate ladder of smart bastards that work there, right…? And then, he eventually was able to prove that he had what it took, to be a leader at the company.

Eventually, JEFFREY SNOVER told red rover to move over, and now we have PowerShell - the BEST there is.

For cross compatibility…?
Backward compatibility…?
More compatibility than you can shake a stick at.
That's saying something, isn't it…?

Now, I COULD be overselling this thing…? But- I don't think I am.

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| PowerShell… the BEST there is. |
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PowerShell is next to IMPOSSIBLE, to NOT to talk about in a PROPOSAL, where it COULD BE USED... to take CASSIE to the NEXT LEVEL. Nah. Especially when I know for certain that CASSIE is ALREADY USING A LOT OF ELEMENTS of the .NET FRAMEWORK. PowerShell uses the COMMON LANGUAGE RUNTIME that .NET, as well as C Sharp, use.

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| Side point - I've also been conceptualizing ways to INTEGRATE: 1) RAZOR, 2) BLAZOR, 3) WEBASSEMBLY, 4) ASP.NET, |
| 5) SQL DATABASES, 6) XAML with PowerShell, someof that'll eventually be called RazorShell. But that's WAY down |
| the road, and if that day eventually comes…? Don Jones is gonna have to start teaching the kids about RazorShell |
| syntax, when it becomes a reality… "Wanna become a true expert…? Heh. You need to learn RazorShell." -Don Jones |
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If that IS the case, perhaps CASSIE will feel COMPELLED to take advantage of a really cool UPGRADE, to allow users at the library computer lab, or anywhere else in the facility… to have access to something that performs much more quickly… and even SAVES the USERS STATE/SESSION without LOSING THAT INFORMATION. Maybe even allows users to access it from OUTSIDE of the library.

Wanna order a book…?
Log into your account on the library website, and just submit an order.
Done.

Wanna submit a ticket for a resource or something…?
Log into your account on the library website, and just submit that ticket for that resource.
Done.

Wanna find out what really cool events are coming up at the library…?
Log into your account on the library website, or via the API that allows people to get a loadout in PowerShell.
Or like, from their smartphone or whatever.
Done.

Wanna leave a review for how awesome the LIBRARY is, as well as the people that work there…?
Not a problem. Log into your account on the library website, and just… write up an amazing review, and share it with Google, or Facebook, or whatever.
Done.

Wanna submit ideas for CLASSES or TECHNOLOGY QUESTIONS, or learn something really cool and need resources to track stuff like that down…? Uh- the library is where it's at, pal.
Log into your account on the library website, and just submit your idea or request to the right place.

Do YOU have a DEVICE that needs to be REPAIRED, or, RECYCLED…?
Well, the LIBRARY could be the actual, factual, best place to bring something like that…
So, you could log into your account on the library website, and submit a comment or question.

You could even register your device and get a FREE DIAGNOSTIC from the website via [FightingEntropy(π)].
Eventually. Might be getting ahead of myself here, but the ideas are there.

Think of it like this… Imagine CASSIE could be some GIRL.

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Me     : Hey CASSIE, how would you like to be given a really cool upgrade that makes you a LOT more useful…?
CASSIE : *crosses arms* Nah, I'm all set…
Me     : Really…?
CASSIE : Yeah.
         I'm ALREADY EXTREMELY useful… and that's that.
Me     : But, I mean, the people that set you up seem to have difficulty in making you WORK FASTER…
CASSIE : So what, dude…?
         I've been around for like, at least 8 years.
         That means I'm basically perfect and can't be improved.
         So…
Me     : Well, yeah you can be improved in a number of ways…
         You just need someone to show you "how it could be done…"
CASSIE : Oh yeah, buddy…?
         So, who are you, some type of EXPERT or whatever…?
Me     : Yeah.
         I like, have official credentials and a resume and stuff.
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| 08/23/22 | Resume | https://github.com/mcc85s/FightingEntropy/blob/main/Docs/2022_0825-(MCC%20Short%20Resume).pdf |
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CASSIE : Yeah, well, I'd be willing to bet that you're not a REAL expert at all…
Me     : Nah, I most certainly AM a REAL EXPERT that KNOWS WHAT HE'S DOING…
         And I can say with CERTAINTY, that I can develop a SYSTEM that allows people to use the SYSTEM
         more effectively.
CASSIE : *Uncrosses arms* Oh yeh…?
Me     : Yeh.
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CASSIE : Alright, how…?
Me     : Well, there are (2) options that I can see from here.
CASSIE : Well, what's option (1)…?
Me     : Option (1) is that I literally use my COMPUTER ANSWERS spiel, called:
         "The PERFORMANCE AND PROTECTION PACKAGE".
CASSIE : Whoa.
         PERFORMANCE AND—
Me     : —PROTECTION PACKAGE.
CASSIE : *eyebrows up* Performance and Protection Package, eh…?
Me     : Yyyyyyyep.
CASSIE : WELL, that sounds pretty cool actually…
         What's THAT all about…?
Me     : So, every single computer in the building can be UPGRADED to a SOLID STATE HARD DRIVE that only needs to be
         a certain size, so we're talkin', if each machine only uses a MAXIMUM of 80GB to install the OPERATING
         SYSTEM, the VARIOUS SOFTWARE, and DRIVERS…? 80GB is pretty WEIGHTY and EXCESSIVE, and it's a GOOD SIGN that
         some people don't know how to build 14GB-20GB images that accomplish the EXACT SAME END RESULT.
CASSIE : 80GB to like, 14GB-20GB…?
Me     : That's right.
         I show people how to do that in a video I released back in May 2019…
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| 05/28/19 | MDT/Hybrid Desired State Controller | https://youtu.be/C8NYaaqJALI |

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CASSIE : That's an hour and a half long…
Me     : Yeah, but the thing is, that (1) video shows that I know how to do the same job with TOOLS that are
         DEPLOYED from a SERVER using a NETWORK to DEPLOY a FULLY INSTALLED OPERATING SYSTEM with its' PROGRAMS
         by using the MICROSOFT DEPLOYMENT TOOLKIT, and WINDOWS DEPLOYMENT SERVICES.
CASSIE : So, that means you'd have to have been an-
Me     : EXPERT, back then, yeah.
CASSIE : Alright…
         So, this PERFORMANCE AND PROTECTION PACKAGE, feel free to continue…
Me     : Well it's called the PERFORMANCE AND PROTECTION PACKAGE because I COINED THAT PHRASE.
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| 1) PERFORMANCE |

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...in the sense that you'll GET WHAT YOU SEE, and you'll SEE WHAT YOU GET…
...and WHAT YOU SEE IS WHAT YOU GET…
...because literally EVERY terminal that uses a MECHANICAL DISK DRIVE that USED to BREAK DOWN…
...got replaced by something that is EXPONENTIALLY FASTER than the current hard drive.

That's because the PERFORMANCE was increased by eliminating the mechanical moving parts.
You're working with SOLID-STATE, and that means the access times are nearly immediate.
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| 2) PROTECTION |

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...in the sense that EACH DRIVE comes with a (3) year warranty, where if it FAILS before that 3
year period of time…? You're eligible to get a FREE REPLACEMENT, because that's part of the WARRANTY.
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CASSIE : Sounds TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE, though.
Me     : Yeah, well, check this out.
         Not only would you be getting ALL OF THOSE THINGS…?

         But- every single instance of each machine can be migrated with its' existing DATA or OPERATING SYSTEM.

         However, that'd be a LOT MORE TIME CONSUMING considering that the MICROSOFT DEPLOYMENT TOOLKIT could be
         used to perform a FRESH INSTALLATION on EVERY EXISTING TERMINAL, and be FASTER, MORE LIGHTWEIGHT, and…
         all of those existing hard drives that get replaced…?
CASSIE : Yeah…?
Me     : They can be used in a STORAGE POOL in a SERVER or a NETWORK STORAGE TANK that allows RAID.
CASSIE : What's a STORAGE POOL or NETWORK STORAGE TANK, or RAID…?
Me     : A STORAGE POOL is where VIRTUAL MACHINES and their SESSION DATA could be SAVED, so that PEOPLE don't LOSE
         their DATA. A NETWORK STORAGE TANK is effectively the same thing. However, it can be accessed over the
         network by really ANYBODY. STORAGE POOL and NETWORK STORAGE TANKS are effectively the SAME THING.

         However, there are such things as (NAS/NETWORK ATTACHED STORAGE) which is NOT a STORAGE POOL stored on
         a SERVER, but rather, a computer node that doesn't have an OPERATING SYSTEM, it is just an ACCESSIBLE
         NETWORK NODE with LOTS and LOTS of (GB/TB) of storage space.

         RAID stands for REDUNDANT ARRAY OF INEXPENSIVE DISKS, or the I in that phrase can stand for INDEPENDENT,
         or whatever dozens of iterations the people in the world came up with…

         Basically RAID allows MULTIPLE HARD DRIVES to be used in COMBINATION with each other to provide either:
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| REDUNDANCY | SPEED | ...in some cases BOTH |

Mode	Process	Result	Benefit
RAID 0	STRIPING	SPEED	TIME
RAID 1	MIRRORING	REDUNDANCY	FAULT TOLERANCE
RAID 5	STRIPING+MIRRORING	BOTH	BOTH

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I may have to brush up on my understanding of RAID levels, but simply put, these approaches vary in what
their PROCESSES, RESULTS, and BENEFITS truly are. There are some DRAWBACKS to each of these methods, but
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I will save an explanation of those DRAWBACKS for someone who's serious about using these approaches and having a DISCUSSION with me, about how to IMPLEMENT these ideas.

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CASSIE : It DOES seem to be the case, that you know what you're talking about…
Me     : I do.
         I'm an actual EXPERT that knows what he's talking about.
CASSIE : I'm impressed, actually…
Me     : Look, I haven't even really touched on the SECOND idea. Or, the THIRD.
CASSIE : *crosses arms* I thought you said you only had (2) options…?
         Mister fancy pants McBrainiac suddenly has a THIRD option now, eh…?
Me     : Yeh.
         I'll explain shortly.
CASSIE : Fine.
         Let's hear this SECOND idea of yours…
Me     : Alright, so the SECOND idea takes advantage of a COOL LITTLE PHENOMENON called DISKLESS NETWORK OPERATION.
CASSIE : How does a computer work without a DISK…?
Me     : Because the computers would be booting from the network.
CASSIE : That sounds impossible.
Me     : It isn't.
         You just need an ACTUAL EXPERT to explain to people, how that's even possible.
CASSIE : Alright, how does it work…?
Me     : Alright, so over the last 3.5 years, I've been DABBLING and EXPERIMENTING with the Microsoft Deployment
         Toolkit, which was developed by some smart guy named Michael Niehaus, from Microsoft. It uses a phenomenon
         called (Pre-eXecution Environment, or Executable), and I believe it was pioneered by Intel.
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| PXE → Effectively allows a computer to book from a SERVER on the NETWORK |
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CASSIE : Who's Michael Niehaus…?
Me     : *chuckles* Heh.
         "Who's Michael Niehaus…?"
         *shakes head* Well, I'll tell you who this guy is...
         He's the guy that had an idea way back in the early 2000's, who developed the (BDD/Business Desktop
         Deployment) tool, which led to (MDT/Microsoft Deployment Toolkit), which then led to (SCCM/System
         Center Configuration Manager), which led to various other tools and utilities.
         The man is a flat out, genius.
         He didn't build all of these things ALONE, however.
         He had some help from a couple guys named Johan Arwidmark, and Mykael Nystrom.
         Among dozens of others.
CASSIE : Oh yeah…?
Me     : Yep. All of these programs allow WINDOWS to be INSTALLED over a NETWORK.
         However, the (WinADK/WINDOWS DEPLOYMENT AND ASSESSMENT KIT) as well as (WinPE/WINDOWS PREINSTALLATION
         ENVIRONMENT) allow core components of Windows to be readily deployed over the (network/install media),
         rather than by a (hard drive/disk).

         So for instance, you could literally use EITHER ONE of these tools here…
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| 1) PowerShell Deployment FE Wizard         | https://youtu.be/lZX5fAgczz0 |
| 2) [FightingEntropy(π)] FEInfrastructure   | https://youtu.be/6yQr06_rA4I |
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         ...to allow EACH TERMINAL IN THE BUILDING, to have (0) disks in them, in order for every terminal to use
         a LOGIN, that combines VARIOUS ASPECTS of WINDOWS REMOTE DESKTOP PROTOCOL, EXTENSIBLE APPLICATION MARKUP
         LANGUAGE, and POWERSHELL…

         ...to LITERALLY connect to REMOTE DESKTOP VIRTUAL MACHINES that have a LEGITIMATE LICENSE.

CASSIE : What's a VIRTUAL MACHINE…?
Me     : A VIRTUAL MACHINE is essentially a SOFTWARE VERSION of a computer.
         They can each have the SAME CHARACTERISTICS as the HOST, or they can even be provided MORE RESOURCES since
         the LOAD would be distributed over to a DATACENTER server.
CASSIE : This sounds like you would have to be an EXPERT SYSTEM ENGINEER, to build a single computer that could
         COMBINE all of these REALLY COOL IDEAS you have…
Me     : That's right.
         That's why the (2) videos up above showcase living examples of how long I've been seeking to develop
         an idea that would help a lot of people.

         However, here's a machine I built for a customer in 2017, with the SOLE INTENTION of using it for
         VIRTUAL MACHINES.
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| 08/31/17 | Threadripper Mark I | https://youtu.be/ApEqOjAoAfM |
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CASSIE : Maybe this idea won't work.
Me     : Nah, it definitely WILL.
         That's why I have to whip out ADDITIONAL EXAMPLES of what grade of EXPERT I happen to be…
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Name	Date	Detail
[FightingEntropy(π)] FEInfrastructure	12/2021	https://youtu.be/6yQr06_rA4I
Advanced Domain Controller Promotion	10/2021	https://youtu.be/O8A2PDfQOBs
A Deep Dive: PowerShell and XAML	03/2021	https://youtu.be/NK4NuQrraCI
Wireless Network Scanning Utility	05/2022	https://youtu.be/35EabWfh8dQ
PowerShell Deployment FE Wizard	09/2021	https://youtu.be/lZX5fAgczz0
2019_0125-(Computer Answers - MDT)	01/2019	https://youtu.be/5Cyp3pqIMRs
Install-pfSense	06/2021	https://youtu.be/E_uFbzS0blQ

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| Advanced System Administration Lab     06/2021 https://youtu.be/xgffIccX1eg                                        |
| Windows Image Extraction               06/2021 https://youtu.be/G10EuwlNAyo                                        |
| Flight Test Part 1                     08/2021 https://drive.google.com/file/d/1qdS_UVcLTsxHFCpuwK16NQs0xJL7fv0W   |
| Flight Test Part 2                     08/2021 https://youtu.be/vg359UlYVp8                                        |
| Advanced Domain Controller Promotion   10/2021 https://youtu.be/O8A2PDfQOBs                                        |
| Hybrid | Desired State Controller      05/2019 https://youtu.be/C8NYaaqJAlI                                        |
| Methodologies                          11/2019 https://youtu.be/bZuSgBK36CE                                        |
| Education/Exhibition Program Design     08/2019 https://youtu.be/v6RrrzR5v2E                                        |
| Spectrum Cable Modem Reset             07/2017 https://youtu.be/LfZW-s0BMow                                        |
| How to repair an iPhone 7+             04/2018 https://youtu.be/i3qn1CZ-5WM                                        |
| Troubleshooting Network Equipment 101  03/2018 https://youtu.be/0nEiGijjOEY                                        |
| Troubleshooting a poorly made CRM      11/2017 https://youtu.be/xs-FVZgjnkI                                        |
| Game Design: Return to Castle: Quake   08/2021 https://youtu.be/xN53K9oGCME                                        |
| Game Design: Tempered Graveyard        08/2021 https://youtu.be/dyHwm9AdkQs                                        |
| Game Design: Out of my head            08/2021 https://youtu.be/rwyHCNnwlkM                                        |
| Game Design: Insane Products           08/2021 https://youtu.be/EG8UyJSMK3Y                                        |
| Web Design: BFG20K's Shopping Maul      05/2001 http://web.archive.org/web/20220000000000*/planetquake.com/bfg20k |
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CASSIE : That's a LOT of links right there.
Me   : Yep.
         Not ALL of those videos are going to be a compelling watch, but the point is...
         They all show how I've literally spent the last few years OCCASIONALLY making videos of ME, DOING WORK.
         I haven't gotten PAID for the WORK that I do, yet…?
         Because, some people in the community are MORONS that continue to UNDERESTIMATE ME, such as DWAYNE COONRADT
         and PAVEL ZAICHENKO.
         They have literally lied about me NUMEROUS TIMES to MANY PEOPLE…
         And have never once thought to call me and say "Sorry buddy, I apologize for screwing you over."
         But, some of those MORONS would include my own flesh-and-blood FAMILY... Like, my MOTHER.
CASSIE : You shouldn't say that about your own mother…
Me   : I'm not going to talk about that right now, but just know this…
         People like to lie a lot.

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| Based on my DIRECT KNOWLEDGE/OBSERVATIONS, the police NEVER PROSECUTE ANYBODY FOR LYING IN A STATEMENT |
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         EVERY STATEMENT SAYS: "IT IS A MISDEMEANOR TO KNOWINGLY PROVIDE FALSE TESTIMONY ON A WRITTEN INSTRUMENT"…

         But, people are NEVER PROSECUTED FOR DOING THAT.
         I say the word NEVER, because the reality is, SAYING IT "NEVER HAPPENS" is not accurate.

         While it DOES happen…? A blue moon occurs far more frequently than the POLICE PROSECUTING A LIAR.

         The reason it is RARE, is because: EVERYBODY LIES.
         If the police had to ARREST someone for EACH and EVERY time that they were LIED TO, on a statement…?

         They would IMMEDIATELY be over-encumbered by the number of people they'd have to arrest.
         They would have an easier time driving to the moon, and back, than to go around arresting THAT many people.

         But also, if a police officer is handed EVIDENCE that proves that a particular person's STATEMENT
         was KNOWINGLY FALSELY PROVIDED…?

         The police have no choice but to IGNORE THAT EVIDENCE.
         The JUDGES and the LAWYERS ALSO have no choice, but to IGNORE THAT EVIDENCE, too.

         Could you imagine a world where EVIDENCE of a CRIME being COMMITTED, actually mattered…?
         Because I can, and it's seen on TELEVISION on a constant basis.
         In real life, the law does not CARE about EVIDENCE of CRIMES happening.
         They all think that evidence is pretty stupid.

         Unless you're talking about a show called "The Shield"… then that's a show that ACCURATELY PORTRAYS
         how the law men operate.
         About HALF of the police act EXACTLY like VIC MACKEY, or even DEREK CHAUVIN.
CASSIE : Yeah…?
Me   : Yep.
         The police are lazy.
         End of the conversation.
CASSIE : Alright, so that's the SECOND OPTION…?
Me   : Yep.
CASSIE : What's the THIRD option…?
Me   : Well, I'll go over that in the proposal.
CASSIE : Alright.

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So, here's the proposal.
In either one of those options above that I spoke about with a FICTIONAL CHARACTER named CASSIE…?

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| OPTION 1 | PERFORMANCE AND PROTECTION PACKAGE |
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The FIRST OPTION is to provide a service that we used to charge about $300 per machine, the PERFORMANCE AND PROTECTION PACKAGE, which is the inclusion of a 120GB SOLID STATE HARD DRIVE with a (3) YEAR WARRANTY, and includes the INSTALLATION OF THE OPERATING SYSTEM as well as ALL OF THE UPDATES NEEDED, as well as ALL OF THE SOFTWARE AND DRIVERS… and there would be INCLUSIONS where if the system needs to be looked at or serviced…?

Then, follow up checkups are FREE OF CHARGE. There are VARYING STIPULATIONS that need to be openly stated. However the SPECULATION being made here, is that it seems pretty obvious that the DRIVES and the SYSTEMS IN WHICH THEY'VE BEEN INSTALLED, will more than likely NEVER BE SUBJECTED TO PHYSICAL DAMAGE.

PHYSICAL DAMAGE is an immediate "Nope, that's not under warranty at all." Same goes for WATER DAMAGE. Pretty sure that neither of these things will occur, at the LIBRARY.

Beyond that, however…?
If the drive(s) are error-prone, and subjected to a PERFORMANCE LOSS or DEGRADATION, then being able to check on the status of that drive and the installation of the operating system is COVERED in the package.

That means if it needs a TUNE-UP, or it has a VIRUS or MALWARE that needs to be removed, or for whatever reason the APPLICATIONS need to be reinstalled or optimized…? That's included.

COMPUTER ANSWERS never included any of these services with the warranty, however, I always did. That's why I still hold the HIGHEST SALES RECORD for MONTH-TO-MONTH sales, at:

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| COMPUTER ANSWERS | 1602 Route 9, Clifton Park, NY 12065 |
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Anybody could go there, and ask the people who work there…
"Hey, how much money did THIS STORE MAKE, back in AUGUST of 2017…?" And they will say "$42K".

That's because I was managing the store which had like (4) employees working there at the time.

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| 1) DWAYNE O. COONRADT |
| 2) PAUL DANIELS       |
| 3) DANA KING          |
| 4) KEVIN ANDREWS      |
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I'll take a step back from discussing how much higher $42K is than anybody elses' performance at that store in its' entire existence, because… there's a REASON why my NUMBERS are always HIGHER than everybody ELSES.

It is literally because of (1) reason alone. I am an actual CERTIFIED expert, and I know what the hell I'm doing.

Suppose someone wanted to negotiate on the price… Well…?
The STARTING RATE is about $300 per machine, for a 120GB SSD, that comes with the operating system, as well as MALWARE DETECTION/PROTECTION software, and even remote management and backup software. However, that's not a HARD PRICE at the moment because someone has to be in SERIOUS NEGITIATION MODE for me to determine with sheer accuracy whether the amount would be HIGHER or LOWER than that, based on a number of contingencies and stipulations.

In other words, if 120GB drives are too SMALL, then the price requires adjustment based on the available drives. But also, SCARCITY of these components may also be a factor. Regardless, that is why I talk about the OTHER option…

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| OPTION 2 | DISKLESS NETWORK OPERATION |
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In this particular mode, most of the cost comes down to simply setting up an advanced server mainframe or database that can handle all of the networking traffic and loads.

With this option, the PROCESSING OVERHEAD is transferred from the CLIENTS to the SERVER.
This option does effectively eliminate the need to have really good hardware on the CLIENT END.

All of the PROCESSING OVERHEAD is DISPLACED to the SERVER.
And, the SERVER can be BUILT with some very cool technology similar to EPYC, or THREADRIPPER by:

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| ADVANCED MICRO DEVICES/GlobalFoundries |
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EPYC is the MUCH MORE EXPENSIVE TR4 platform, meant for DATABASE SERVERS or MAINFRAMES, however, those platforms can effectively run hundreds of concurrent processes FLAWLESSLY.

THREADRIPPER is the much more price considerate version of the TR4 platform that does many of the same things, and utilizes INFINITY FABRIC. INFINITY FABRIC is not something from the MARVEL UNIVERSE… it's just a terminology that allows multiple threads to be intelligently (assigned/distributed) among the various number of CORES and THREADS that are available to the server to run.

So, in reference to DISKLESS NETWORK OPERATION, a server with either one of these platforms will be able to provide an environment that is IDENTICAL IN NATURE, to vSphere, or eSXI, which is the VMWare derivative of like, Google Kubernetes, Amazon Web Services, Microsoft Azure. I guess I'm using some of these terms rather LOOSELY, however, they all have a similar SCOPE of SERVICE that effectively uses VIRTUALIZATION to provide REMOTE VIRTUAL MACHINES.

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| OPTION 3 | BOTH OF THOSE METHODS COMBINED |
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This option would effectively deploy BOTH of these approaches, and can be adjusted to SCALE across multiple locations. If the proposal is accepted at MULTIPLE LOCATIONS, that allows for more negotiability in reference to PRICING and BUDGETING, however, the SUPPORT FACTORS are still very much, going to be EXACTLY THE SAME ACROSS THE BOARD.

However, with a HYBRID APPROACH, other added benefits which may not be readily apparent, are able to be CONSIDERED

and IMPLEMENTED. For instance, if the SERVER in each LOCATION is going to handle that much OVERHEAD…?

Then it stands to reason that VOLUME LICENSING or PACKAGING can be on the table for both SERVER ADMINISTRATION, WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT, DATABASE ACCESSIBILITY, IMPROVEMENTS to the way that the EXISTING DATABASE OPERATES, INTEGRATION with CURRENT SOFTWARE IMPLEMENTATIONS, as well as suggestions on how to improve the current system...

Those would all be on the table, AND, could come with a packaged deal to have a SERVER ADMINISTRATOR and DEVELOPER on hand, that is able to TEACH PEOPLE and PROVIDE CLASSES and INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN COURSES, on how to perform these various activities.

However, let's not get AHEAD of ourselves and start talking about how to implement ways of integrating the SECURITY SYSTEM, NETWORK ADMINISTRATION/ENGINEERING, and other various aspects of EXCHANGE SERVER, ACTIVE DIRECTORY DOMAIN SERVICES, CERTIFICATE AUTHORITIES, and etc…

The point being, I am QUALIFIED to perform ALL of these various roles and operations.
Here's a quick preview of a video that I haven't added to my portfolio…

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| 09/08/21 | cimdb2 | https://youtu.be/vA8_HLZ--mQ |
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Here's the bottom line. Some people think I'm actually a very stupid person, who does stupid things…?

Because, to those people, the things I do seem like they're SENSELESS... And since the things I do make no sense to those people, I'm apparently a bad guy. And, since I'm apparently a bad guy, I don't fit in with the normal conventional way of doing things… and, because I don't fit into the conventional way of doing things, they will say that I'm unmanageable. Since they'll say I'm unmanageable, they'll say that I do my own thing (in a BAD WAY). And, because people say that I do my own thing (in a BAD WAY), that I'm someone who CONSTANTLY goes against the grain. And, since I constantly go against the grain, that all the resistance I face is similar to swimming against the current of a river… and that seems STUPID to most people. Since that seems STUPID to MOST PEOPLE, they'll say:

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Most people : Swimming against the current of a RIVER…?
              YOU REALLY ARE STUPID, AREN'T YA…?
              LOL.

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That's because people MISJUDGE ME AND UNDERESTIMATE ME, on a CONSTANT BASIS. And, that's ok. It is ALWAYS a sign of their STUPIDITY. The reason why people do this is for (1) simple reason alone.

If you go with the flow of a river, then life is easy.
You're literally at peace with the current of the river, and you're not likely to build up a TOLERANCE for telling people that they're a fuckin' moron when or where they sound like one.

So, for instance…
IDENTITY THEFT and CYBERCRIMINAL ACTIVITIES…
I started my company SECURE DIGITS PLUS LLC, in October 2018, with the ORIGINAL INTENT to be focused on NETWORK SECURITY, and to provide BUSINESS ONSITE SERVICES.

However, what I constantly FOUND, was that EVERY BUSINESS I SERVICED HAD AN ISSUE WITH MALWARE BEING ON THEIR NETWORK. It was a CONSISTENT CASE.

Here's what can happen when MALWARE is on any given system…

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| 1) IDENTITY THEFT                                                                       |
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That's when someone STEALS INFORMATION and then USES IT to file APPLICATIONS for CREDIT or whatever.
In SOME CASES, it can be used to PURCHASE GOODS ON BEHALF OF A PARTICULAR COMPANY, and then a DIFFERENT ADDRESS IS USED… So, some douchebag can steal MR. PAVEL ZAICHENKO SR.'S (SOFT N AUTO UPHOLSTERY, SCHENECTADY) SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER, CREDIT CARD NUMBER, PIN NUMBER, and then SUBMIT AN INVOICE where there's (3) plows PURCHASED, but only (2) of them manage to make it to his shop.

THEN what'll happen, is that MR. ZAICHENKO SR. will never come to the stern realization, that the THIRD PLOW, might've been sent to a DIFFERENT ADDRESS, so that SOMEBODY could RETURN that plow, and get the $500 for that particular item.

The end result is that this dude will NEVER GET HIS MONEY BACK, and he'll spend a LOT OF TIME ON THE PHONE, with the COMPANY that had a SPECIFIC EMPLOYEE CALL BACK, who was INVOLVED in the CHARADE…
…and that EMPLOYEE will just KEEP TELLIN' MR. PAVEL ZAICHENKO SR., "Hey, there's really not much we can do."

Wanna know how EASY IT IS, for a MALICIOUS PARTY to DO ALL OF THIS STUFF when they have ACCESS to someone's PERSONAL CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION…?

It's actually WICKED EASY when MALWARE is DEPLOYED to a NETWORK where NOBODY DETECTS THE INTRUSION.
Cool, huh…? SOFT N' CUSHY AUTO UPHOLSTERY had a TROJAN installed as a NETWORK PRINTER DRIVER. That means, 100% of EVERY DOCUMENT THAT THE MAN or BUSINESS PRINTED, was CLONED/COPIED to a REMOTE ADDRESS on the internet.

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| 2) CYBERCRIMINAL ACTIVITIES                                                    |
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This can range from SCAM CENTERS that INDISCRIMINATELY CALL PEOPLE FOR THEIR INFORMATION or BANK ACCOUNT STUFF, all the way to the severity level where SOMEONE HAS LOCKED DOWN ALL OF THE DATA ON A GIVEN:

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| SYSTEM | NETWORK | NETWORK OF SYSTEMS | CERTIFICATE AUTHORITIES | BACKUPS |
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Wanna know how EASY it is, for CYBERCRIMINALS to GET AWAY with committing an ACT OF SABOTAGE to any particular target…? PRETTY EASY.

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| 2020 Federal Data Breach | https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2020_United_States_federal_government_data_breach |
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That article right there goes to the 2020 Federal data breach, which was the END RESULT, of a lot of EGREGIOUS MORONS IN CHARGE, failing to take these threats to NATIONAL SECURITY VERY SERIOUSLY.
Now, let's talk about some of the MORONS IN CHARGE.
___SOME___ OF THOSE MORONS IN CHARGE happen to be the LOCAL POLICE at:

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| NEW YORK STATE TROOPERS          | 5 MUNICIPAL DRIVE    | CLIFTON PARK, NY | 12065 |
| SARATOGA COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE  | 6010 COUNTY FARM ROAD | BALLSTON SPA, NY | 12020 |
| FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  | 200 MCCARTY AVE      |      ALBANY, NY | 12209 |
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Here's why I just said that. When I managed the COMPUTER ANSWERS SHOP in JANUARY of 2019…?
My NETWORK was SUBJECTED to a CYBERATTACK of a VERY SOPHISTICATED NATURE… on JANUARY 15th, 2019.

It involved CVE-2019-8936, a DISTRIBUTED DENIAL OF SERVICE, and a RANSOMWARE ATTACK similar to WANNACRY.
I also believe that it involved PEGASUS/PHANTOM deployed to my Apple iPhone 8+.

(4) days before 01/15/2019, I had made a RECORDING on that SAME APPLE IPHONE, where I talked about the BROTHER of a GUY that can be SEEN in THIS PARTICULAR DOCUMENT…

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| 07/21/89 | 785-3221 | https://github.com/mcc85s/FightingEntropy/blob/main/Docs/2021_0414-(Jesse%20Pickett).pdf |
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Wanna know how many times that shop had EVER been hacked or attacked while I worked there, PRIOR to that…? (0).
The ONLY time I can really think of, where an attack of a SIGNIFICANT CONCERN occurred, is when the GMAIL ACCOUNT cacliftonpark@gmail.com was compromised and no longer available. And I believe that occurred as a DIRECT RESULT to THIS VIDEO that I had posted on THAT ACCOUNT:

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| 07/2017 | Spectrum Cable Modem Reset | https://youtu.be/LfZW-s0BMow |
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For (3) years, I worked at this place that is owned by a RUSSIAN IMMIGRANT named PAVEL ZAICHENKO JR., who has DEVELOPERS that live in RUSSIA, right…? The guys who worked on their CRM, they're from RUSSIA.

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| RUSSIA → CYBERATTACKS → POLICE → STUPID |
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Allow me to repeat what I just said…

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| RUSSIA → CYBERATTACKS → POLICE → STUPID |
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I'm gonna say it a THIRD TIME after I post a couple of LINKS where I recorded a full, ~(2) hours of video, on MAY 25th, 2020, walking to 10 INNISBROOK, CLIFTON PARK, NY 12065…

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| 05/25/20 | IMG_0625.mov | https://drive.google.com/file/d/1SDTqxE12WiYfD3WhgYHzXXlVJ2h9aU-D |
| 05/25/20 | IMG_0627.mov | https://drive.google.com/file/d/1zhiwa9hvh5Lg58gHTjDT9TpM0k6NRZVx |
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But also, I'm going to post the LINKS to the PICTURES that the POLICE from SCSO have been AGGRESSIVELY IGNORING, because (2) 25-30 year old white males attempted to MURDER ME outside of the COMPUTER ANSWERS SHOP, on:

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| MAY 26th, 2020 0004 → MAY 26th, 2020 0130 |
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| 05/26/20 0005 | IMG_0648 | https://drive.google.com/file/d/18xllhtJW6XZhxJOZXWtesywn-Ph37KK9 |
| 05/26/20 0011 | IMG_0649 | https://drive.google.com/file/d/1W0234ojNChSpwDZWnWPzjjZRBQ2CQm0L |
| 05/26/20 0011 | IMG_0650 | https://drive.google.com/file/d/1vu2bhSSCv2HO-HCeCCh5-iqcYpiiqC2l |
| 05/26/20 0011 | IMG_0651 | https://drive.google.com/file/d/1imYzaTA--eVDMeSM-dHfYBfC2tiAHsLV |
| 05/26/20 0348 | IMG_0652 | https://drive.google.com/file/d/1w0Q6lhLYH9ACwQfUosucUE9x5-uAsNzI |
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| RUSSIA → CYBERATTACKS → POLICE → STUPID |
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That's what I mean by "The police are stupid." The truth is…? THEY don't think they're STUPID at all… because, SOME OF THEM SUCCESSFULLY GOT AWAY with ATTEMPTING to have me KILLED, in nearly an IDENTICAL WAY to how my FATHER was MURDERED, WAAAAAY back when I was 10 years old, on October 23rd, 1995.

These people know how to make certain situations APPEAR to be something they're not (ALTERING APPEARANCES).
They will go so far as to do what SCSO JAMES LEONARD and SCSO MICHAEL ZURLO did on MAY 27th, 2020…
…which is to commit SEVERAL COUNTS OF OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE, and even DESTRUCTION OF EVIDENCE.

So, my father's murder APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN a FOILED ROBBERY, when it was actually an EXECUTION by the MAFIA/KGB.
Then, SAMMY SANTA CASSARO's murder, that happened like 10 months later…?

Similar circumstances, looked like a DRUG RELATED MURDER, involved a JUDGE from SARATOGA SPRINGS named FRANCINE VERO, who was a TEENAGER at the time, right…? She was ALSO the JUDGE in the LAWSUIT between PRECISION PERIODONTICS and COMPUTER ANSWERS.

| 08/14/99 | Francine Vero/Cassaro | https://drive.google.com/file/d/1s_7zUKMtHIBSPKK7PrdCZIu6alXOhbG9 |

FRANCINE VERO showed multiple signs that she might actually be VERY FAMILIAR with PAVEL ZAICHENKO JR.
The way that they were INTERACTING in the COURTROOM seemed to suggest to me, that it is PLAUSIBLE, that they could very well be BROTHER and SISTER. However, I have NO EVIDENCE TO SUGGEST AS SUCH.

It is MERELY A SUSPICION. That's what I mean by "the police are stupid", they aren't able to make CORRELATIONS where MULTIPLE CRIMES can be associated to the SAME GROUP OF PEOPLE… that were INVOLVED in a SERIES of CRIMINAL OFFENSES.

So, for instance, if I tell my mother that those (2) murders were CONNECTED to the MURDER ATTEMPT ON MY LIFE outside of COMPUTER ANSWERS on MAY 26th, 2020…? Or that CAPITAL DIGITRONICS provides RADIO COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT for the NEW YORK STATE POLICE…? She'll say "That's all pretty stupid, Michael. Find someone that BELIEVES you."

| 06/28/22 | My mom | https://github.com/mcc85s/FightingEntropy/blob/main/Records/2022_0831-(Mom%2006-28-2022).ps1 |

^ That right there, has a LINK to the AUDIO RECORDING that is MORE IMPORTANT than the STATEMENT MY MOTHER MADE TO THE POLICE on 06/28/2022, because she: PROVIDED FALSE TESTIMONY ON A WRITTEN INSTRUMENT.

Then the POLICE: 1) ILLEGALLY ARRESTED ME, 2) ILLEGALLY TASED ME, and 3) DID THESE THINGS AS SOON AS I TOLD THEM ABOUT THE AUDIO RECORDING BEING UPLOADED TO MY GOOGLE DRIVE ACCOUNT BEFORE THAT 911 CALL THAT SHE MADE THAT DAY.

Then, MICHAEL DEPRESSO from the SARATOGA COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDERS OFFICE refuses to acknowledge that I'm looking to FILE CRIMINAL CHARGES AGAINST ALL OF THE ARRESTING OFFICERS AS WELL AS MY MOTHER for: PROVIDING FALSE TESTIMONY ON A WRITTEN INSTRUMENT TO HAVE SOMEONE ILLEGALLY ARRESTED.

People like 1) SOME of the police, and 2) PUBLIC PRETENDER MICHAEL DEPRESSO…? They're stupid. They can't help it.

They are not ALL stupid…? But, the ones that I constantly run into...? They typically are, because they trust what they SEE with their EYES, and they DON'T put ANY THOUGHT into what is SHOWN to them, because they're stupid…
If the SARATOGA COUNTY SHERIFF has to ISSUE A PRESS RELEASE…?
The sentences in that PRESS RELEASE have to be SO EASY TO UNDERSTAND, that even a KINDERGARTNER can understand it.

So, if the (SENTENCE/PARAGRAPH) is COMPLICATED (as a LOT of my writing is VERY SOPHISTICATED and COMPLEX), and you need a DICTIONARY to UNDERSTAND the SENTENCE…? MICHAEL ZURLO will give that statement a THUMBS DOWN.

| "That's too difficult for people to understand, start over." -Michael Zurlo |

That causes them to THEN do this THING where they UNDERESTIMATE ME, and they'll never look at the EVIDENCE I've compiled. And unsurprisingly, this is how PUBLIC DEFENDERS such as MICHAEL DEPRESSO think and operate as well.

| "That shit is WAAAAAY too advanced, to 1) READ, or 2) UNDERSTAND. So…? Fuck you. -Michael Depresso |

THAT'S what I mean by SOME of the POLICE are STUPID.
They don't even LOOK at my EVIDENCE, nor do they know how to make these things called "CORRELATIONS".
Some of my VIDEOS, AUDIO LOGS, or CONTENT, will be VERY CONTROVERSIAL. And, that's ok.

| "If we don't believe in free speech for those we despise…? Then we don't' believe in it at all. -Noam Chomsky |

What that phrase suggests is this. ACTIONS speak louder than WORDS, so when SOCIETY continues to LIE TO EACH OTHER INDISCRIMINATELY, while also IGNORING THE THINGS CERTAIN PEOPLE HAVE TO SAY…? It causes TERRIBLE THINGS TO HAPPEN ELSEWHERE, such as: UVALDE TX, RENO NV, NEWTOWN CT, BUFFALO NY, DAYTON OH, DALLAS/EL PASO TX, SAN BERNADINO CA.

So, if SOCIETY is programmed to COVER THEIR EYES OR EARS whenever they see NUDITY on TV, or whenever they hear SWEAR WORDS…? What is ACTUALLY HAPPENING, is this… society is programming themselves to allow these ATROCITIES to UNFOLD.
I literally talk about all of these things and the DOMINO EFFECT in my book, TOP DECK AWARENESS — NOT NEWS.

When someone CENSORS stuff on TV, such as NUDITY, it causes little kids to develop a STIGMA so that CERTAIN BOYS AND GIRLS grow up and become GAY. Not even remotely kidding about that at all… The reason this happens is so that the ALPHA MALES can have a WIDER SELECTION of MATES to PROCREATE and REPRODUCE.

When someone gets DISGUSTED by SWEAR WORDS, it causes them to think that people who SWEAR a lot are AWFUL PEOPLE.
When someone SWEARS, it means that they are MORE HONEST than people who don't.
It's not a CONSISTENT RULE, however, it is an observation I have made.

At some point in the past, some people thought it would be a WISE MOVE, to implement these VARIOUS THINGS to CONTROL SOCIETY and their SUBCONCIOUS. The problem is…? Once you are CAPABLE of DETECTING these various STRATEGIES…? They will work OVERTIME to NULLIFY ALL INDICATIONS that PEOPLE ARE INTERESTED IN THE CONTENT, as well as ENGAGING IN IT.

/ Conclusion

| Michael C. Cook Sr. |
| Security Engineer |
| Secure Digits Plus LLC |

11) Terri Cook

She is the DOG WARDEN, and that means ... she literally goes around arresting people's dogs indiscriminately. She used to live at 10 INNISBROOK, worked with law firms and district attorneys in Albany, is the mother of my cousin, BRANDON COOK, and was the FIRST PERSON to take me off of my mothers hands on OCTOBER 23rd, 1995 when my family was at my aunt DEBBIE BROZOWSKI's house on LASHER ROAD ...

M   her had some SUSPICIONS TOWARD HER FOR YEARS. I believe she had something to do with arranging for my
f   to be MURDERED by a GANG working with the RUSSIAN MAFIA.

I ALSO believe that she had something to do with the MURDER ATTEMPT on MY LIFE, outside of COMPUTER ANSWERS on MAY 26th, 2020 outside of COMPUTER ANSWERS.

She didn't know that TATIANA CLEVELAND and I like, had the hots for each other while she was dating RYAN ... Worked with TERRI at CVS for a short amount of time ... RYAN drove us home one night in TATI's car ... TERRI had a nuanced conversation with me after the LOWES incident regarding the book I left one day ... either HER, or RYAN held a GRUDGE toward me for YEARS ...

TERRI does an awesome job of shaking her finger in people's faces and sayin' 'SHOULD'VE KNOWN BETTER ... ' but- my father was BRUTALLY MURDERED, so who was supposed to teach me 'BETTER' ... ? Ohhhhh. Nobody. That's who.

At some point she moved to ROUND LAKE down the street from STEWARTS on like RUHLE ROAD or whatever.

12) Thomas Cook

My uncle that doesn't realize that his building that he used to own at 46 STATE STREET, ALBANY NY, was basically taken by the KGB, my AUNT TERRI, the Russian guy from the 5th floor used to work with PAVEL ZAICHENKO SR. at SOFT N' CUSHY AUTO UPHOLSTERY, in SCHENECTADY NY. Right down the street from where my GRANDPARENTS lived ...

I believe that my FAMILY has been DIRECTLY TARGETED and VICTIMIZED by the KGB foreign spy service, and that ... my . TERRI COOK, and 'JILL COOK' did so many things to SKULL FUCK my uncle THOMAS and the rest of my family.

He probably would be the first person to agree with me, that my father probably was taken out by the KGB ... ...once he makes the SAME CORRELATIONS I HAVE MADE. But, ONLY THEN.

For instance, MEGHAN ALEXANDER, STILLWATER, ARMED ROBBERY, RELATED TO MY FATHERS MURDER, as well as SAMMY SANTA CASSARD's murder. The MURDERERS made the ATTACKS appear to be DRUG RELATED. But- there's a much more compelling explanation than that. My uncle needs to figure that out.

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13) Paul Pelagalli

G   o literally ordered me to go see (2) doctors (Berger|Grodin) at SARATOGA COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH, but neither
o   n worked there ... Basically took custody of my children away because some bitch wrote erroneous claims.

Those erroneous claims were never investigated nor examined, and this is easy to determine with the number of
CARELESS MISTAKES that (his court + CPS + FBI) made over the entire span of time between 11/07/19 → 11/04/21
such as this glaring hole in their entire credibility ...

| 07/21/89 | https://github.com/mcc85s/FightingEntropy/blob/main/Docs/2021_0410-(Jesse%20Pickett).pdf |

This dude probably does not care for the fact that I'm more intelligent than 99% of the people at
SARATOGA COUNTY, and it causes the people who work there, to work against me because they ENJOY making
CARELESS MISTAKE after CARELESS MISTAKE while being RECORDED. They'll love it a lot when the lawsuit
arrives.

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14) Sarah Schellinger

Some bitch that was apppointed to be my PUBLIC DEFENDER, but sorta sucked ass at it so badly that I TERMINATED
HER in AUGUST 2020. She was initially somewhat RECEPTIVE or HELPFUL ... ? However, she eventually began to sound
stupid. Basically every time I tried to talk to her, she would go MUTE whenever I said certain things like ...
'Ohhhh, the fuckin FBI is doing something to my equipment and performing MAN-IN-THE-MIDDLE-ATTACKS.'

Gutelius, Alex

From:	donotreply@libwizard.com
Sent:	Saturday, October 15, 2022 11:14 AM
To:	Gutelius, Alex
Subject:	Results for Incident Report Form.

A new Incident Report Form has been submitted:
Form Name: Incident Report Form
Submitted: Oct 15, 2022 11:13 AM
Submission ID: 11556951
Report link: https://cphlibrary.libwizard.com/forms/reports/9f10746cc66a5b5ff2f77916a1bdba7e

Date and Time:
10/15/2022 10:00 am

Staff Involved:
Mary Alice Cole

Description of Incident::
What appeared to be a patron carrying documents approached the circ desk to my station closest to the returns wall. I greeted him and he proceeded to record our exchange as he shared a grievance with me against the library and specifically Alex. Person was non-confrontational, but upset that an IT idea/proposal that he had given to Alex was now being used(stolen) by the library. He explained that Alex had called the police on him at some point when he was offering her his proposal, but they were unable to charge him with anything. He informed that he was filing a lawsuit against the library and asked me to get a message to Alex. I offered that he email Alex or stop in next week to see her. He accepted the idea of emailing so I gave him Alex and Jim's business cards as a way of showing additional support with another administrator. He asked if I'd like to read his proposal. I declined. I offered my apologies that this had happened. He apologized to me as he knew I had nothing to do with his grievance.

Name of Person Involved/Injured::
N/A

Description of Person Involved::
White male in his 30's wearing a gray hoodie, longer hair/scruffy beard.

Name of Staff Member Completing Report::
Mary Alice Cole

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Gutelius, Alex

From:	donotreply@libwizard.com
Sent:	Saturday, October 15, 2022 11:47 AM
To:	Gutelius, Alex
Subject:	Results for Incident Report Form.

A new Incident Report Form has been submitted:
Form Name: Incident Report Form
Submitted: Oct 15, 2022 11:46 AM
Submission ID: 11557086
Report link: https://cphlibrary.libwizard.com/forms/reports/9f10746cc66a5b5ff2f77916a1bdba7e

Date and Time:
10/15/2022 10:00 pm

Staff Involved:
Mary Alice Chris Dreidel

Type of Incident (check all the apply)::
reporting because of possible connect to past incident

Description of Incident::
At approximately 10 am, a man in his twenties--caucasion, brown hair, long beard--approached the circ desk. He spoke with Mary Alice. He recorded the conversation on his phone. He wanted to tell us about an incident he'd been involved with earlier and his plan of action for the future. He stated he had given Alex a proposal regarding IT and then had the police called on him. He claimed the library had stolen his idea for some IT solution. He stated he would be suing the library in small claims court. Mary Alice listened to his concerns, but did not engage more than necessary. She expressed sympathy about the initial incident and gave him Alex's business card in case he wanted further communication with the library administration. He was composed through the whole conversation as was Mary Alice. He left without further incident. I listened in on the conversation in case my assistance was needed. We did not alert Security as the situation never escolated.

Description of Person Involved::
white male 20s brown hair scraggly beard

Name of Staff Member Completing Report::
Christine Dreidel

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Gutelius, Alex

From:	donotreply@libwizard.com
Sent:	Saturday, October 15, 2022 4:31 PM
To:	Gutelius, Alex
Subject:	Results for Incident Report Form.

A new Incident Report Form has been submitted:
Form Name: Incident Report Form
Submitted: Oct 15, 2022 04:30 PM
Submission ID: 11558517
Report link: https://cphlibrary.libwizard.com/forms/reports/9f10746cc66a5b5ff2f77916a1bdba7e

Date and Time:
10/15/2022 02:30 pm

Staff Involved:
Linda Loeser, Alex Gutelius

Type of Incident (check all the apply)::
Public Computer Violation

Description of Incident::
At approximately 3:15pm, Linda called me to let me know a patron had advised them there was a Facebook Live video showing Michael Cook opening the cases of the public computers and stating that the Library had stolen his intellectual property. I called the Sheriff's department becuase I was not sure what the situation would be at the Library. Deputy LaBounty arrived and we were shown the YouTube Video by a patron named Janet Moak.. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-GScIS_PlOo After viewing part of the video showing Michael removing the cases of the computers, I felt it was appropriate to ask Michael to leave the library for the rest of the day. Deputy LaBounty accompanied me to the computer lab where I spoke with Michael. I introduced myself and told him that he was not to be tampering with the public computers, and that because of that he would have to leave for the day. He told me he had sent an email to me that he would be suing for intellectual property theft because solid state hard drives had been installed in the public computers after he had given us his document with the idea of installing sold state drives. After some back and forth about the fact that he feels we stole his idea. He indicated that he sent me an email and would be taking us to small claims court for stealing his idea. I reiterated that he was being asked to leave for the day and that it was up to him if he wanted to file a claim in court. Email from Michael Cook is attached to this report. He left the building, and had a further conversation with Deputy LaBounty and finally left the property. Staff discovered that he is not using his own card to access the computers, but was using the card of Daniel Gotzmann 1000202087614 Patron who reported the video and showed it to us was Janet Moak 518-410-3153. Apparently another patron had also called to alert the Library to the FB live video

Name of Person Involved/Injured::
Michael C. Cook

Description of Person Involved::
white male, approx 35 years old, dark hair and beard

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Police / Agency Notified (check all that apply)::
Police / Sheriff

Officer Name::
Deputy LaBounty

Name of Staff Member Completing Report::
Alex Gutelius

Official Action Taken::
Michael was asked to leave for the day.

Gutelius, Alex

From:	Gutelius, Alex
Sent:	Monday, November 21, 2022 2:04 PM
To:	'securedigitsplus@gmail.com'
Subject:	Suspension Letter - CPH Library
Attachments:	Cook suspension 10-17-2022.pdf

Mr. Cook

As we are unaware of your mailing address, I have attached a letter notifying you of your suspension of library services for three months, following the incident that took place in October in the computer lab. Please contact me if you have questions about this suspension.

Alexandra Gutelius
Library Director
Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library
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October 17, 2022

Notice of Library Suspension

**Michael C. Cook
Date of Library Suspension: October 17, 2022-January 17, 2023**

Your visitor privileges to the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library are suspended for a period of three (3) months.

This means you may not enter the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library facility from October 17, 2022 through January 17, 2023. Your access to the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library will be restored on January 18, 2023.

Your visitor privileges have bee suspended because you tampered with the public computers in the computer lab on October 15, 2022.

Alexandra Gutelius
Library Director

Appeal Procedures

Any patron suspended for more than one day may appeal the suspension by:
1. Patrons suspended for more than one day can contact the Library Director in writing, within five days of the suspension. The Library Director or designee will consult with staff, review the Incident Reports and related documentation and any written information provided by the patron. The patron may also schedule an appointment with the Library Director or designee to discuss the suspension.
2. After reviewing information and/or meeting with the patron, the suspension period may be terminated or shortened or the suspension may remain in place. The Library Director will inform the patron of the decision in writing.
3. The patron may appeal the determination of the Library Director to the Library Board of Trustees via a written notice of appeal within 10 days after receipt of the Library Director's determination. The notice of appeal must be sent to both the Library Director and the Library Board President, care of Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library, 475 Moe Road, Clifton Park, NY 12065.
4. The Library Board of Trustees will review the suspension at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Library Board. The patron will be provided with notice of the meeting date. A parent or guardian must accompany a minor (under the age of 18) to the meeting.
5. The Library Board of Trustees will hear the appeal and will vote to uphold or dismiss the suspension. The patron will be notified by letter of the decision of the Library Board of Trustees. The suspension will be in effect until this vote is taken.

POLICY 3.12   SUSPENSION POLICY

Need for this Policy

In order to maintain a comfortable and safe environment for all patrons and library staff, the Board of Trustees has approved Policy #3.1, the Rules of Conduct for Library Users. This Suspension Policy describes actions that may be taken when patrons violate those Rules of Conduct. Suspension of library privileges may result in removal from and denial of access to the Clifton Park–Halfmoon Public Library facility and services for a designated period of time. The Library reserves the right at all times to immediately discharge a patron who is dangerous or in any way threatening to other patrons, library staff, or library property.

Policy

When a patron has violated the Rules of Conduct the Library Director or designee will address the situation as follows:

Warnings
1. Provide the patron with a copy of the Rules of Conduct for Library Users and explain to the patron how the behavior is violating the Policy and the importance of abiding by the Rules of Conduct. The patron will be advised that he/she may be asked to leave the library facility if unable to comply with the Rules of Conduct.
2. Complete an Incident Report form to document the warning and submit it to the Library Director's office.

Suspensions
1. When a patron continues to violate the Rules of Conduct for Library Users, the Library Director or designee will review previous incident reports, and then instruct the patron to leave the library facility for the day.
2. Suspensions for longer than one day may be issued if a patron violates the Rules of Conduct, at the discretion of the Library Director or designee.
3. Depending on the severity of the incident, a patron may be suspended for a maximum of 52 weeks.
4. If a decision is made to suspend a patron for more than the remainder of the day, the Library Director or designee will complete a "Notice of Library Suspension" letter, and provide a copy to the patron. If the patron is a minor (under the age of 18), the Library will attempt to notify the minor's parent or guardian, and provide the parent or guardian with a copy of the letter.
5. An Incident Report documenting the suspension will also be completed by the Library Director or designee and placed on file in the Library Director's office.
6. Any patron who is suspended for longer than one day is entitled to an appeal.

Appeals
1. A one-day suspension cannot be appealed.
2. Patrons suspended for more than one day may contact the Library Director in writing within five days of the suspension. The Library Director or designee will review the patron's appeal, as well as Incident Reports and related documentation. The patron may also request an appointment with the Library Director or designee to discuss the suspension.
3. The suspension period may be terminated or shortened, or remain in place at the discretion of the Library Director or designee who will then inform the patron of the decision in writing.
4. The patron may appeal the decision of the Library Director or designee to the Library Board of Trustees via a written notice of appeal within ten days after the receipt of that decision. The notice of appeal must be sent to both the Library Director and the Library Board President, care of: Clifton Park–Halfmoon Public Library, 475 Moe Road, Clifton Park, NY 12065.
5. The Library Board of Trustees will review the appeal at its next regularly scheduled meeting. The patron will be provided with notice of the meeting date, and may appear in person. If the patron is a minor (under the age of 18), a parent or guardian must accompany the minor to the meeting.
6. The patron will be notified by letter of the decision of the Library Board of Trustees after they have reviewed the appeal. The suspension will remain in effect until this decision is made.
7. Any patron appealing a decision to the Library Board of Trustees shall be aware that the meetings of the Board of Trustees are, by law, open to the public. The Board's discussion and consideration of an appeal, including the underlying facts and any statements made by the appealing patron shall, generally, be done in a public forum. Consequently a patron should not have an expectation of privacy with regard to his or her appeal.

Responsibilities:

It is the responsibility of the Library Director or his/her designee to enforce this policy.

Initial Adoption Date: 11/18/2013

Modified Date	Description of Modification
2/25/2019	Minor wording changes

Gutelius, Alex

From:	Gutelius, Alex
Sent:	Monday, October 17, 2022 4:46 PM
To:	cph-users; 'CPH-Pages'
Subject:	patron banned
Attachments:	Cook photo.pdf

Be advised that a patron by the name of Michael Cook has been banned from the Library for three months for tampering with the public computers. The guards have been advised, as has the Saratoga County Sheriff's department. We do not have a current address for Mr. Cook. If you see him at the Library, please let me or Jim know so that we can give him the letter regarding the ban.

Please see me if you have any questions. A photo of Mr. Cook is attached.

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Gutelius, Alex

From:	Secure Digits Plus LLC <securedigitsplus@gmail.com>
Sent:	Saturday, October 15, 2022 2:01 PM
To:	Gutelius, Alex
Cc:	Foster, Jim
Subject:	Intellectual Property Theft

Greetings Alexandra Gutelius,

My name is Michael Cook.

I wrote a document, I believe that YOU and OLIVER ROBINSON are in for a really rude awakening when I publicly distribute this 1) video, 2) the document I wrote in addition to the 3) number of exhibits I'll be throwing together into my Supreme Court case. (You're not involved in the SUPREME COURT case, so, don't worry.)

I think you had your IT staff do something really fuckin' stupid, such as:
taking an idea that I wrote about in the document I left with the circulation desk on SUNDAY OCTOBER 2nd, 2022, and then like, calling the police on me and taking that idea, and just going right ahead and doing it without giving me any credit whatsoever.

So, I intend to publicly expose the level of douchebaggery you decided to sign off on... since like, OLIVER ROBINSON tried this as well. So did BRUCE TANSKI, and JOHN HOFFMAN, and PAUL PELAGALLI...

It's like this.
People constantly underestimate me. People seem to be morons who think I'm going to physically HURT people, but stupidity will do that to people when they can't READ. I have no intentions of PHYSICALLY HURTING ANYBODY at the library, but... I can understand if someone who's a MORON would think that.

The reality is that I know damn well you can read, so can the police officers, and I realize WHEN and WHERE morons will take things out of CONTEXT, because they're PREDICTABLE.

That's why I wrote the beginning of the document, CASSIE... the way that I did.
It's rather apparent to me, that you need to be added to the list of those people that just constantly underestimate the fact that I'm more intelligent than most people.

But also, the guy who runs the SARATOGA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, MICHAEL ZURLO...? The guy that I discussed in the document I wrote to you, about the program CASSIE...? He facilitated an ATTEMPTED MURDER on 05/26/2020.
Sorta talked about that in the document.
Sorta have a way to expect moronic behavior from people everywhere I go.

The guys that drive around doing stuff for SCSO...?
They're morons that don't INVESTIGATE nor COLLECT this stuff called EVIDENCE.
Here's a link to a really long list of this stuff called EVIDENCE
https://github.com/mcc85s/FightingEntropy/blob/main/Records/SCSO-2020-028501-(EVIDENCE).txt

The police typically do this OTHER thing called IGNORING/DESTROYING EVIDENCE, when

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it incriminates some really RICH or WELL RESPECTED people. Nah, cause then that makes their job REALLY REALLY DIFFICULT. They like to do the REALLY EASY STUFF.

As such...?
I've decided to send you a link to the video I recorded that shows your library committing INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY THEFT to me, as a direct result of the document YOU WERE GIVEN.
Also, a brand new document that I *JUST* wrote today, and... the PICTURES I took of the document. Maybe at some point, you'll review all of the content I submitted to you for the lawsuit I intend to file against you, specifically, and personally.

Also, I've decided to carbon copy James Foster in on this email as well.
I look forward to YOU, realizing that it's in your BEST INTEREST, to write me a check for $1,000.00 as soon as possible. Cause if you do...? I won't file the lawsuit.

So, lets break it down so it's SO SIMPLE, you can't possible misunderstand a single word.

If you...
Write me a check for $1,000.00 as soon as possible...
I...
will NOT file a lawsuit against you for a LOT MORE than that.

If you...
Do NOT write me a check for $1,000 as soon as possible...
I...
will file a lawsuit for $500 small claims court, for each individual machine that the SSD's were installed in.

Sounds like a really great deal NOW, doesn't it...?

Let me repeat that.
1) you write a check for $1,000.00 and that'll be the end of this situation for you.
2) you kick out a lot more than that when I automatically win at small claims court with the video I recorded, and the document I wrote and submitted to you.

Thank you for your expected cooperation.

Michael C. Cook

The video
https://youtu.be/-GScIS_PlOo

The document
https://github.com/mcc85s/FightingEntropy/blob/main/Docs/2022_1015-(Intellectual%20Property%20Theft).pdf

The pictures of the document
https://drive.google.com/drive/u/3/folders/1WOllP9yqkLOG5MuTHN6nrBQsjt2NhcfZ

Gutelius, Alex

From:	Secure Digits Plus LLC <securedigitsplus@gmail.com>
Sent:	Thursday, November 17, 2022 3:09 PM
To:	Gutelius, Alex; Foster, Jim
Subject:	Following up

To the director of the library,

I've put plenty of additional thought into what happened last month.
I wrote that last email because I truly believed that you had taken the document that I sent you around October 2nd, and then tasked the IT guy with performing portions of the work written in that document.

Your responses were very telling that you were covering for your employee.
You had no idea you were lying to my face.

"We've been installing solid state drives in the computers for years..."
Nah. I mean, maybe you people have installed some SSD's in some of the computers, I'm not debating that at all.

What I'm debating is that I saw the guy who works there, coming into the computer lab, going from one machine to the next AFTER I wrote that document, and like, sent it to you. And, to add insult to injury, you called the Saratoga County Sheriffs Office on me on 10/3/2022 which I recorded...

10/03/2022 | https://drive.google.com/file/d/16m6v0NgadTw99bwjk3rgGQBvK8NHrthv

...because apparently the document seemed disturbing. And, that's fine.

There's a reason why I write a lot of documents about controversial subjects, and it is because people have a really hard time understanding when or where they need to take the initiative to ask more questions.

I'm going to expand upon what I talked about in that document Cassie
FightingEntropy/2022_1001-(CASSIE).pdf at main · mcc85s/FightingEntropy (github.com) in this email, because I would rather be seen as an INTELLECTUAL with a well-meaning purpose, than to be some haggard insult lobbing thug, who goes around (doing/saying) stuff that makes people feel uncomfortable.

That's not my objective, to intimidate or bully people...
...my objective is to educate people.

Up until the day you came to the library, I was in that computer lab on an almost daily basis. For several days, I saw some of the errors that were showing up on those computers. I am a Microsoft Certified Professional. I know how to resolve those errors. They were showing up because the drive was going bad, and that is what I literally told your employee...

I literally told the guy "Hey. I think those drives are going bad."
And he's like "Ok. Thanks."
The reason why the errors kept coming up, is because I had a lot of exposure to those specific errors in relation to Windows Update, when I managed the Computer Answers shop for about 3+ years.

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Typically, when a system goes to perform an update, and it experiences some sort of issue after the update, or something is preventing the update from installing itself automatically, it is because the HARD DRIVE is going bad, and that is what I told your employee.

I'm not talking about the TALL guy with the glasses.
From all of my observations, that guy hasn't done anything remotely shady.
But, I don't judge people by their appearances alone, and I'm not going to write off the potential possibility that perhaps HE is the reason why they started installing the SSD's.

The guy that I'm talking about, is the guy who looks like he just goes into the server room, and watches YouTube videos all day. Maybe I'm wrong with that assessment, I haven't thought to open the door and determine what the hell that dude does all day. But- from what I have observed...? It does not look like he does anything remotely stressful or difficult, and he takes a really long time to do stuff. Wiping and reloading an operating system like Windows takes 15 minutes with the program I have been developing.

I talked about that in the document Cassie.
He took over 3 hours to replicate the hard drive on Lab #2 or Lab #3, and then he came in, and had like 2 hours left on Friday the 14th, and he like, decided to call it a day and just leave the machine open on the desk, for the entire weekend.

Now, I'm not YOU, but if I WERE you, I would've written that guy up for doing that. There's no excuse to be leaving machines open, needing service for the entire weekend, especially when installing Windows 10 from like a thumb drive takes about *checks watch* 10-15 minutes.

Those are all Intel Core i5-3500 desktops with like 16GB of RAM.
It takes 10 minutes to install Windows 10.
CASSIE may take additional time to prepare and shore up, however, uh-
That dude who gets paid to work there...?
He's really, really slow at what he does.

It's true that you don't have dozens of people bursting through the door to use the computer lab machines. So, there isn't an inherent reason why he can't just take (5) days to install Windows 10 on (10) machines... I used to do THAT, in like *checks watch* 15 total minutes for all (10) of those machines.

I actually talk about how someone could do that in the document CASSIE.

Here's the reality. The guy, literally started doing work on (1) machine like, on a Friday. He pulled the hard drive from the machine at like (2/3PM), left the thing open...? Started cloning the content of the drive over like a 3 or 4 hour period of time...? But then... 5 o'clock came around,

That means, he looked at his watch, and said
"Time to leave this unfinished work laying around."

Then, he left the computer there, open, on its side, for the entire weekend.
In the (2) hours that he took to NOT finish that (1) machine...?
I could've reinstalled Windows on every single computer in the entire building, in like an hour.

Prior to him actually taking off, I had said to him...
"Upgrades...?"

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And, he was casually playing off my observation.
I'm not really sure what I find more offensive.

The fact that I had no issues with anybody at that library for the few months I went there, and did work every day. Then suddenly, your employee takes the "initiative" from the document I wrote, after YOU called the police on me.

I put "initiative" in air quotes, because I don't know what other word to use.
Allow me to use a metaphor.

TYPICALLY, whenever I use the word "initiative"...?
I'm thinking about drawing up comparisons between myself, and Michaelangelo, painting the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel for like 7 years straight, until it was absolutely perfect.

But in that dude's specific case...?
I'm using "initiative" in air quotes to draw up a comparison between his work ethic, and the breathtaking quality that a preschooler might accomplish when he's like 4 years old, learning how to fingerpaint.

I am attempting to make this rather comedic, and detailed.
The reason being, I know that when people LOOK at me, they ASSUME that because I LOOK like I'm an idiot that would never notice something...? Well, to the people who casually do this, in their minds that must automatically mean that I MUST be an idiot who would never notice something so minor and miniscule. But- that's where the cleverly written insults come in really handy.

Based on my observations, you've done very little to be considered worthy of being insulted, hence why I've decided to write this... perhaps this is a partial apology to some degree...? But, more specifically, because your demeanor when I met you, caused me to regret having sent that last email... because I could tell based on your responses, you had absolutely no idea nor were involved in what they did.

I merely speculated that as the case because I didn't give the document to anybody else, except you.

Regardless, SOME people may take a glance at the documents I write.
I've spent the last month since I've been at the library, making audio logs, and talking like a professor would. I am absolutely certain that I could be a teacher or a professor at a college or a university, because a lot of my rhetoric sounds a lot like Robert Sopolsky from Stanford University (among others).

The documents and the audio logs I've been writing and recording aren't exactly all FORMAL, because I've got a LOT of shit on my plate, and on that plate, are a long list of people in this community that have written me off repeatedly, over and over, just casually throwing me into a category of people I have no business being in. Oh, and someone decided to steal my laptop since I haven't been going to the library, and some of my hard drives.

Regardless, none of that is really any fault of yours.
All of this backstory is WHY I wrote the document to you, about some of my personal situations.

The way I could describe it is like this...
Dr. Richard Todd Loeber, Saratoga Hospital
Dr. Samuel Bastian, Saratoga County Mental Health

I have seen BOTH of these doctors here, and what I can tell you first hand, is that Dr. Samuel Bastian actually studies psychiatry, and actually earned his doctorate. Dr. Richard Todd Loeber commits this thing called

MEDICAL FRAUD, and doesn't provide proper evaluations of people, and likes to cut corners and rush diagnosis and stuff like that.

On one hand, guys like Richard Todd Loeber are plentiful... They got their doctorate at K-Mart, K-Mart doesn't actually have a school where they teach psychiatry...? But I am absolutely convinced that is exactly where this dude got his doctorate. It makes perfect sense. The man rushed his diagnosis and like, has multiple OTHER doctors that he sends packets of information which has predated forms and signatures written on them, so that he can casually misdiagnose people at Saratoga Hospital on a daily basis. He drives around in a 2017 Blue Audi S7, and I could even give you the VIN number and the license plate of the vehicle if you really wanna know.

I do not like Richard Todd Loeber, I am absolutely convinced that he is a scam artist doctor.

On the OTHER hand, Dr. Samuel Bastian, is an actual doctor that studies psychiatry, who either currently or formerly directed the Four Winds hospital that my son Michael C. Cook Jr. was admitted to back in February 2017. He was diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder and Attention Deficeit Hyperactivity Disorder, and his diagnosis led to my diagnosis finally being taken seriously by the doctors I talked to about my concerns for like, DECADES.

Yeah, so, as soon as my SON was diagnosed with those conditions, I was able to be diagnosed by someone that has a doctorate to study medicine. What I'm saying is that a lot of doctors (and people) are LAZY.

My mother never had me tested for these conditions.
My father was murdered when I was 10 years old.
I was victimized by kids at the Shenendehowa Central School district where I attended for 13 years.
I was molested by an older kid when I was 7 years old, who I wound up assaulting with a baseball bat when I was 17, because he spent an entire summer breaking into my house (4) times that my mother and I called to report the break ins to the Saratoga County Sheriff's Office. They did nothing to investigate or question this dude.

Anyway, the notion I'm alluding to here, is that people really like to treat me like I'm an idiot and that I don't know what's happening. But that's because I know when people are bullshitting me, and I've had this capability for a very long time.

Samuel Bastian gave me a test for about 3 hours and had me fill out a questionnaire, and it took about 3+ weeks for him to get the results back and to confirm the assessment and send the results to Paul Pelagalli.

The last question that Samuel Bastian asked me during the evaluation was:
"Have you always sounded this intelligent when you talk...?"
The answer is no.

This entire email, I'm the one writing every word, I'm not using like Grammarly, or like having to use the word suggestions in order to write with my specific style of writing.

I could write like this for hours a day, and I could probably get paid a lot of money to do this, or to teach people... However...? Uh- I need to find some people that VALUE my intelligence and my capabilities, because as far as I can tell, a lot of people are really stupid, and they think that I am insane.

Maybe I am, and I just write stuff really eloquently and well thought out, and BECAUSE I write as well as I do...? Some people like most of the police at the Saratoga County Sheriffs Office, they can only really get through like (2) full sentences, before they get really flustered and overwhelmed by my documents, writing style, and vocabulary, and... THAT is when they do what Michael Zurlo does... "Holy shit dude. I ... need a 1) juice box...? And, a 2) 5 hour nap."

Effectively, what I'm saying is that Michael Zurlo is pretty fucking lazy.

I'm not gonna go around insulting all of the police that work at SCSO or the NYSP. However, they typically rely on what their coworkers write or document and THEY MAKE NO EFFORT TO VALIDATE WHAT THOSE COWORKERS SAY/DO.

People in society ALSO do this.
You have literally done this. If I see the behavior ONCE...? I'm not going to say/write negative things in every corner, nook, and cranny I can find, and say "Yeah, director of the library ... not a huge fan, lemme tell ya..."

However, if I were to see recurring behaviors where you're acting in the same exact way that you did when you came into the computer lab, and you were literally covering for your IT guy without even knowing what the hell you were saying...?

The police do that too.
The doctors do that too.
The lawyers do that too.

A lot of people in our society do this, where they KNOW somebody who REALLY knows SOMETHING... and THAT means, that who they know trumps what I know, and that's all there is to it, in their eyes.

Uh- the last sentence is my take on reverse psychology.
I'm not going around saying that I'm the smartest dude who ever lived, and that what I know is the best, or that I'm the best at everything that anybody could be really good at...? Cause that would be pretty stupid...

However, when I go around being CONFIDENT in what I know...?
It actually pisses some people off. Maybe the situation changes from scenario to scenario, maybe people are pissed off by my intelligence, but they're just afraid of it. Or, they'll misinterpret things I say because they don't realize how interwoven my reverse psychology is.

Simply put, in this video https://youtu.be/HT4p28bRhqc, I said this to my children:
When all (4) corners of a rhombus are a PERFECT 90 degrees...?
That rhombus is ALSO a square.

That means that only in a SINGLE condition, is a rhombus the same thing as a square. And, most people in society don't realize how critical that fact truly is. Maybe I'm generalizing that to a large degree, who knows. I have to make SOME speculations or even assumptions in some cases, that most people really don't give a rats ass about whether something FACTUALLY occurred, or whether it NON-FACTUALLY occurred (which means that it did not occur).

That's how the police get down, sometimes.
Sometimes they don't really CARE about whether they have EVIDENCE of a CRIME having been committed...? They can just arrest someone without it, OR, they can actually IGNORE the EXISTENCE of evidence such as an AUDIO RECORDING.

Some people may try to argue with me "YEAH RIGHT, DUDE, THE POLICE DON'T JUST ARREST PEOPLE THAT NEVER COMMITTED A CRIME OR WHATEVER~!"

Yes, they most certainly do. And, they do this a lot.
They don't really CARE if they have to arrest someone that didn't commit a crime, especially if someone is throwing them a really nice stack of cash, to:
1) shut the hell up, and
2) look the other way.

That's why I wrote about John Hoffman, Bruce Tanski, Eric Catricala, and Paul/Peter Amato, the former Town of Halfmoon Supervisor who was implicated in a conspiracy to commit bank fraud through my former employer, KeyCorp.

Here's the reality.
I don't typically write long winded emails to people like this one right here, however, I think that you deserve an apology for the email I sent last month.

I really don't like the idea of feeling like I'm BULLYING somebody at a library.
It's really not my cup of tea. But I also don't really care for the idea of feeling like someone took some ideas I had, and then just ya know, thought nothing of mislabeling me like people continually do.

That's what the NYSP and SCSO did to me on June 28th, 2022.

I've been spending a LONG TIME at that library updating my BOOK, and though I'm not gonna win a Pulitzer prize for my book writing, the book that I was writing THAT DAY, is the REAL reason why the police arrested me on June 28th, 2022.

Why was I arrested that day and why have I been going to the library...?
Uh- because my mother and I kept having these arguments where I explain to her what the definition of the word "Evidence" is. She doesn't really care. She cares about that word if she's playing SCRABBLE, or whatever... but when it comes to looking at stuff in order to have her facts straight...? She is about as fucking lazy as anybody's mother could ever be. Especially one that had her husband killed when her child was 10 years old.

I do not hate my mother...? But- I really do think she has a serious psychological condition, and I think that is the REAL reason why so many people just like to play this game with me where they treat me as a black sheep or a scapegoat.

Ya know...?
This email should exhibit very clearly, that I'm a sophisticated sounding, intelligent person, I didn't spend all day writing this...? I just know how to write stuff.

Really, I think I've spent less than 40 minutes writing up this email.
I write a lot.
Whether it's on Facebook, or in the word editor, or in the programs I use to write my programs... I write a lot of material. I can also express these trains of thought VERBALLY as I do in my many, many audio logs.

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11/13/22 | Audio Log | 2h 55m 38s

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11/11/22 | Audio Log | 3h 04m 47s
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That's like 9 hours of content right there.
Some of the material is OFFENSIVE, but that's because I've been working at this like famous comedian George Carlin. The English language is rather complex, and there's nothing particularly evil about the words themselves.

However, uh- expressing some of these thoughts is a lot like having to fart. You let the thought/fart out...? You feel better, and then a weight is lifted off of your shoulders. That's why the FIRST AMENDMENT, exists. You know, these school shootings and stuff, they happen because our society has this moronic notion: "If you have nothing nice to say...? Don't say anything at all." Because it sorta bleeds right into "See no evil, Hear no evil, Speak no evil." The evil is there.

It's pretty stupid, actually.
It's one thing if someone has a disposition and has a hard time thinking of something to say, but it's a totally separate matter when people have PLENTY of things to say, and yet they just choose not to. Why...? Because maybe it boils down to SOCIETAL EXPECTATIONS.

Societal expectations are pretty ridiculous sometimes.
Sometimes they're fine. I'm not going to walk into the library and say stuff like "Fuck everybody, everybody sucks, you're all really fuckin' lame~!"
Nah. Not gonna go that. It's never been a thought on my mind, to act on.

However, there's some PHILOSOPHY behind the notion of there being a SPECTRUM between "Where would it be considered reprehensible to say those things, and where would it be considered commendable to say those things...?"

That's what philosophy is all about.
That's why I write and record as often as I do.
Mainly because, uh- when I try to teach some dude who worked at a computer shop for a lot of years BEFORE I worked there... but, didn't know how to do simple basic stuff that would bring in a lot more profit...? Like I taught him to do within my first 6 months...? Well, I'm like, teaching him how to make more money. Some guy. Worked there for like, years. Once I started working there...? I taught him some stuff that made the company more money.

And what I get in return for doing that, is a middle finger to the face...
"Thanks for helping us make more money and upgrading everything about the business. Now, fuck off." -
Computer Answers

People don't knowingly SAY those words, right...?
However, their ACTIONS certainly do.
ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS.

Side stepping all of that.
As for some of my audio logs or documents...?
Most people in society don't understand stuff like quantum physics, application development, psychology, mathematics, astrophysics, etc. If you try to talk to people in every day life about these things...? They may need a juice box and a nap, within like, the first couple sentences.

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I'm not saying that juice boxes and naps aren't like, bad or anything.
I will occasionally drink a juice box, and take a nap if I feel like it.
It's just, not something I ever think to do after reading (2) sentences of what somebody wrote.

So, I have to ask myself some questions.
If my MOTHER was never very SUPPORTIVE in respect to my INTELLIGENCE and what I can do with a COMPUTER, or a DOCUMENT, or an AUDIO RECORDING, or some of my VIDEOS...? And, my FATHER was brutally MURDERED when I was a CHILD...?

Who the hell is supposed to support anything that I do...?
I'll tell ya.
Nobody, that's who.

I really don't like the idea of accepting HANDOUTS, I would really prefer to be earning my own income and ya know, teaching people what I know. The reason why I am not already doing that, is because... there's actually a rather large number of morons here in the town of Clifton Park, NY.

Sometimes I ask myself, "If I had to GUESS, what percentage of people are between an IQ of 80 to 120... what would that percentage be...?"

Well, I'd say about 95%.

About 5% of the people in this town have an IQ somewhere above 120 and no greater than 160.

Maybe about 1% of the population here in town, or even less, has an IQ of over 160.

I could be wrong...? I'm not saying those are hard numbers. I'm just trying to figure out a way to understand with some level of certainty, why I go around saying stuff to people, and it is constantly mislabeled.

I think it all comes down to the way that I walk.
Maybe, when people see me walk the way that I do, they start to think:

Person[1]: Wow, there's some dude, lookin' like he's goin' somewhere...
Person[2]: *looks* Wow. Sure looks like that IS some dude, goin' somewhere.
Person[1]: Well... I wonder where he's goin'.
Person[2]: He's probably goin' somewhere real important with the WAY that he's walkin'...
Person[1]: Yeah, that's precisely what I was thinking...
Person[2]: Look at the way he moves his feet...
Person[1]: It's as if he's doing it all himself... All that walkin' and stuff he's doin.
Person[2]: Yeh dude. He does seem to be walking all on his own.
Person[1]: That stride of his... it's commendable.
Person[2]: Respectable.
Person[1]: *Turns and looks at person[2]* You know what this means, right...?
Person[2]: ...what...?

Person[1]: That dude right there, he's taking the act of walking with confidence, to new heights.
Person[2]: Yeh. That much is clearly able to be seen...
Person[1]: You know what ELSE that means, right...?
Person[2]: What else does it mean...?
Person[1]: It means... he's on the friggen war path, dude.
Person[2]: ...he is...?
Person[1]: Yep. Dude walkin' like him...? That's some straight-up, war-path walkin' right there, dude.
Person[2]: How do you figure...?
Person[1]: I mean, just LOOK at him... That mean look in his eye...
Person[2]: ...mean look in his eye...?
Person[1]: Yeh. Dude looks like he was raised by wolves. A pack of hungry lions, even... He's just doin' his own thing.
Person[2]: That he is, Person[1]. That he is...
Person[1]: I hope that dude gets to where he's goin, and that's that.
Person[2]: You know, we've just spent the last like, couple minutes talking about the way that dude's walkin...
Person[1]: Yeh, I know. Such a confident, high falutin' walk bravado right there, dude. I envy that dude...
Person[2]: Yeah well, he's still walkin'.
Person[1]: I wonder how much walkin' he's got left before him...
Person[2]: Heh. Probably miles and miles.
Person[1]: *long hard stare* Probably at least a 20 mile walk he's makin'.
Person[2]: ...how do you figure, 20 miles...?
Person[1]: Heh. How do I figure 20 miles...?
Person[2]: Yeh, how do you figure he's got like a 20 mile walk ahead of him...?
Person[1]: I mean, look at him, dude. Look at that mean look in his eye, you're tellin' me you see the way that dude is walkin' and the look in his eye, and you don't think he's goin' on AT LEAST, a 20 mile walk...?
Person[2]: I... dunno dude. I'm just sayin', how could you tell THAT, just by lookin' at the WAY he walks...?
Person[1]: *shakes head* I dunno, pal. But- the road ahead for that guy looks like it might be treacherous... dangerous.
Person[2]: I can see that, for sure.

So, that's how I can write dialog. It's a lot like the dialog on Seinfeld, or Curb Your Enthusiasm, or like, a lot of other comic plots and such. Whenever I watch TV these days, most of the content on the television seems rather fake and brittle.

Anyway, the dialog above I found a way to segue into this chunk of content below. As for the things I write, sometimes they ARE more focused and comedic... sometimes I really put a lot of thought into insulting somebody, cobbling together skits like that one up above, only to poke fun at certain people. I'm not going to do that unless I feel it is warranted, and even if it IS warranted, I'm going to get bored of the subject at some point.

When I do NOT get bored of a particular subject at all, then I will continually expand upon it. But I'll tell you a subject that I could spend the rest of my life writing about, such as when people lie to me, and think nothing of it.

When people casually lie right to my face, they rarely ever realize that I know damn well I'm being lied to, and depending on the severity of the lie I'm being told, uh- that's when I start to whip out the thuggish comments like "Sounds like somebody could use a fresh pair of broken legs..."

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I'm not gonna think of something that intense if the weight of the lie being told isn't very heavy at all. For instance, a director of a library casually lying to me, about something that she had no idea she was lying about.

If anything, the WAY that she was lying to me, told me a LOT about her character. What it told me, was that she may be someone who has been pushed around a fair amount in HER lifetime, but also, she will take people at their word AHEAD of time, in order to defend some of her coworkers.

However, when I understood what exactly I was dealing with, I actually deeply regretted having sent the original email. Because, there's no way about it, I made an assumption. But- so did she.

As for the incident, I really don't care about the money.
I've been homeless ever since June 28th, 2022.
I'm not looking to work at some dead end job where I'm not capitalizing or expanding upon the work I've been doing. If I'm gonna work somewhere, it's going to be somewhere where I will be a valuable asset to an organization, and it won't actually FEEL like I'm doing WORK, because the WORK that I do, will be me continuing to be myself, as I was as I wrote this particular email.

The sad reality, is that our society will openly praise guys like William Shakespeare, but when it comes to understanding some of his rhetoric or motiviations for writing the stories that he did...? People in our current society think that shit is quite insane.

To many people, intelligence = insanity.
They appear to be virtually identical.
This isn't a one-size-fits-all scenario here.

Much how the RHOMBUS with (4) perfect 90 degree angles is ALSO a SQUARE...?
Someone of an intelligence such as myself, is going to APPEAR to be quite insane, and that's just because society has a lot of fucking problems.

Some people don't know HOW to SOLVE or ADDRESS those problems, either.
I can tell you that SOLVING as well as ADDRESSING those problems, is as simple as knowing when people are lying to you, AND, caring about having your facts straight.

In elementary school, the schools teach the kids these fun little games like "hot potato", or "telephone". These games do a lot to teach individuals about how a GROUP of people 1) think, and 2) relay information.

In Musical Chairs or Hot Potato, it is a metaphor for people with RESOURCES.
Everybody in the game has to not get screwed by being the one with the hot potato, or not having a chair to sit in. It's a metaphor for DEATH.

But also, "Telephone" is when someone says a phrase to someone in their ear, and then that phrase goes all the way around the circle of people, and by the time it gets back to the original person, "the phrase is typically different".

I haven't studied those games to the Nth degree, however, uh- the game of telephone is like how the police and society operate sometimes.
"Who cares if they have their facts straight...? The facts as they are known are CLOSE ENOUGH."

Ok. So, consider "Mission Accomplished", on May 1st, 2003

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EDBRJHxcPKOkbJ75hfPik7rxD2zERtt3

Osama Bin Laden attacked the World Trade Center and the AIRPLANES did NOT CAUSE THE (3) BUILDINGS TO COLLAPSE. Nah. A portion of the government had to LIE to people about what caused those buildings to collapse.

The real reason was withheld from people, and it goes by the term "CONTROLLED DEMOLITION". Controlled demolition is when a building is rigged with explosive packages and thermite BEFORE someone "hits the button". This is what a civil engineering expert/professor by the name of Robert Korol from Architects and Engineers for 9/11 Truth had to say about the collapse of the (3) buildings. Keep in mind, that the 3rd building was never even hit by a plane... AND, consider that there are ULTERIOR MOTIVES as to how/why that building collapsed.

For instance, WTC 7 had offices for Exxon Mobil, the Central Intelligence Agency, and the Secret Service. Many of those offices were ALSO in the World Trade Center. Also, Larry Silverstein, the guy who owned those buildings...? He like, changed the insurance for the buildings about 2 weeks before the attack.

Anyway, that's why I go around telling people that I'm a fuckin really smart bastard, and I'll put Michael Zurlo's dick in the dirt in terms of raw investigation horsepower any day of the week. There's a specific reason why I continue to blast this fuckin' dude, and it goes by "SCSO-2020-028501".

As for the situation with the library, and the email I sent last month...
I don't really care about the money. I know that everybody else makes a big deal about money, but my father was murdered over it, so it has a lot smaller impact on my decision making process than most other people. That doesn't mean I don't really care about finances or the economy, it just means that nobody's ever gonna throw me a stack of cash to do something, expecting that I'll just do it.

It's the principle of the whole ordeal that's gotten under my skin. Especially since I've lived in this community for over 35 years, and it seems as if everything I ever did in MY life to help other people, that's all pretty stupid in everybody's eyes. What's NOT stupid in their eyes, is like, lying right to my face, and thinking nothing of it.

Consider looking up the purchase date on the invoices for those particular hard drives. If the invoice says "NEWEGG 10X 500GB SSD's 10/3/2022" then it's a pretty open and shut case that someone liked my idea, went ahead, and said "Hey, thanks for that real cool idea...? Now kick rocks."

Might not be those words that were stated, but the context is accurate.

Regardless, based on your responses, AND, seeing my miserable NEIGHBORS in the parking lot (William and Janet Moak, who live at 200D Halfmoon Circle, William Moak attempted to assault me with a baseball bat on June 13th, 2020 and then him, his wife, and my stepfather all lied to Mark Sheehan about the attempted assault)....

...it was very obvious to me that you had no knowledge whatsoever, that you were defending someone who read the document and decided to use portions of what I wrote.

It doesn't change the fact that the IT guy did what he did.

I really don't care for the entire situation but I'm pretty confident that taking you to small claims court would be

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a waste of time.

I used to deliver the newspaper to that library, the Metroland.
I did that for like 7 years straight.

I also worked at Computer Answers at 1602 Route 9, for about 3 years. I managed the company AND set
consecutive monthly sales records, as well as upgraded the network, and the equipment in that business... in
order to generate more profit.

What I do not understand, is how none of that seems to make any impact on people at all. I mean, many times
I've done what was expected of me, only to be disappointed by someone else's lack of integrity or due diligence,
whereby being treated as some sort of scapegoat.

That's like, the moral of the story here.

I don't actually want to take you to small claims court, but I'm still pretty pissed off about this entire situation.
Not to mention, I'm also rather pissed off about (Shenendehowa/Robinson) as the school has some morons who
did this same stunt to me where they flat out ignored the whole BACKSTORY as to why I'm going around
writing documents to people in the first place.
https://youtu.be/HT4p28bRhqc

In that particular video, I was teaching my children about how many LIARS there are in our society. Either
LIARS, MORONS, or (EGREGIOUS/CARELESS) people who say to themselves "As long as it LOOKS
good...? That's ALL that matters."

Appearances can be deceiving.
I'm not like most people that watch TV all day being brainwashed into oblivion.
I am far more observant than even the police are.

That is the main reason why I wrote the original document, and started off with rhetoric that probably could've
benefitted from an alternate strategy and word choice...? But, that doesn't change the fact, that the FIRST PAGE
talks about Vault 7.

I'll tell you what Vault 7 IS, and MEANS.
It is a suite of software utilities developed by the Central Intelligence Agency, to commandeer various networks
and equipment. So for instance, those tools talk about RTSP/H.264 security camera feeds and being able to
remotely destroy or corrupt the footage that they record. That's Couch Potato.

Then there's another one that allows SmartTV's to enable the microphone and the wireless radio, AND, even if
the device is VISUALLY OFF...? It can still be reengaged by the hackers and eavesdroppers.

Then there's PEGASUS/PHANTOM which is such a dangerous utility, because it allows a foreign intelligence
service or just whoever, to remotely access any target smartphone device in the world without giving ANY
INDICATION that a TARGET is being surveilled.

Prior to this video right here...
News 10 SmartTV report w/ Andrew Banas - https://youtu.be/bPdWt7kcd3M
...I paid little attention to these matters of national security and how the devices I work with are able to be

commandeered without alerting a target as to how/why they would be being surveilled.

It means that there's a very real possibility that we live in a communist state.
Maybe I'm wrong about that...?
But I've made a number of observations that fall in line with it.

And, it's (1) reason why I wrote a 700 page book about how I began to pick up on these peculiarities in our society that most people casually overlook, and think nothing of.

Here is the reality.
Maybe I'm the one that's delusional for trying to educate others about the atrocities involved in our government and how it operates. Are the congressmen and senators the ones that are REALLY running the government...? Or, are they all actors...? It's a question that I ask myself over and over repeatedly, as time goes by. Didn't USED to ask questions like that, but now I most certainly do, because of the number of observations I've made.

The Vault 7 tools developed by the Central Intelligence Agency are a group of tools that businesses, corporations, and government agencies use, to override people's constitutional rights on a daily basis, in order to generate revenue or to eliminate competition or risk.

That said...? Maybe there's nothing anybody can do. Just believe all the lies that people say. If the National Institute of Standards and Technology states that WTC 7 collapsed because of diesel fires...? Maybe that's the actual, factual reason that it collapsed. Sorta looked virtually identical to controlled demolition...? But, maybe it was some of the best diesel on the planet. Ya know...?

MAYBE, the only thing anybody can do is to just, play along.

Gutelius, Alex

Caution: This email appears to have originated from outside the organization. Do not open attachments or click links from unknown or unexpected sources.

A new Incident Report Form has been submitted:
Form Name: Incident Report Form
Submitted: Jul 18, 2023 12:06 PM
Submission ID: 13700974
Report link: https://cphlibrary.libwizard.com/forms/reports/9f10746cc66a5b5ff2f77916a1bdba7e

Date and Time:
07/18/2023 09:00 am

Staff Involved:
Alex Gutelius, Jim Foster

Type of Incident (check all the apply)::
Public Computer Violation

Description of Incident::
Just before 9am, Tom Schlatter informed Jim and Alex that Michael Cook had attempted to access the public network. A network cable was found in the computer that Michael used and he was also observed taking photos of the back of Cassie print release computer. There was an error on the public computer and Tom feels that setting have been changed. Mr. Cook was waiting outside the Library. Alex approached Mr. Cook and informed him that because he violated the library policy 4.5 Computer and Internet use, that his library privileges would be suspended. Mr. Cook did not agree that he had violated any policy and became loud and agitated. He was provided with a copy of the policy and we also returned his network cable. During this interaction, that took about 15 minutes, Jim Foster provided backup to Alex. Because he was becoming loud and agitated, staff called 911. By the time the police arrived, Mr. Cook had left the library property. The police said that Mr. Cook has never become physically violent as far as they are aware.

Name of Person Involved/Injured::
Michael C. Cook

Description of Person Involved::
man in his 30s with long dark hair and a beard

Police / Agency Notified (check all that apply)::
Police / Sheriff

Name of Staff Member Completing Report::

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Alex Gutelius

Official Action Taken::
Mr. Cook's library privileges are suspended for six months from July 18, 2023 to January 18, 2024. He has been informed verbally and via email. A copy of the suspension letter will be sent to the State Police and Sheriff's department.

Gutelius, Alex

From:	Gutelius, Alex
Sent:	Tuesday, July 18, 2023 11:52 AM
To:	securedigitsplus@gmail.com
Subject:	Suspension Letter 7-18-2023
Attachments:	Cook suspension letter 2023.pdf

Mr. Cook,

Attached please find a letter notifying you of your suspension of library privileges for six months.

Please contact me if you have questions about this suspension.

Alexandra Gutelius
Library Director
agutelius@sals.edu

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July 18, 2023

Notice of Library Suspension

Michael C. Cook
Date of Library Suspension: July 18, 2023-January 18, 2024

Your visitor privileges to the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library are suspended for a period of six (6) months.

This means you may not enter the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library facility from July 18, 2023 through January 18, 2024. Your access to the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library will be restored on January 18, 2024.

Your visitor privileges are suspended because you attempted unauthorized entry to the Library's computers or network in contravention of Library Policy 4.5 Computer and Internet Use.

If you wish to appeal this suspension, the appeal procedures are outlined on the next page.

The next Library Board Meeting is Monday August 21, 2023 at 7:15pm.

Alexandra Gutelius
Library Director

Appeal Procedures

Any patron suspended for more than one day may appeal the suspension by:

1. Patrons suspended for more than one day can contact the Library Director in writing, within five days of the suspension. The Library Director or designee will consult with staff, review the Incident Reports and related documentation and any written information provided by the patron. The patron may also schedule an appointment with the Library Director or designee to discuss the suspension.

2. After reviewing information and/or meeting with the patron, the suspension period may be terminated or shortened or the suspension may remain in place. The Library Director will inform the patron of the decision in writing.

3. The patron may appeal the determination of the Library Director to the Library Board of Trustees via a written notice of appeal within 10 days after receipt of the Library Director's determination. The notice of appeal must be sent to both the Library Director and the Library Board President, care of Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library, 475 Moe Road, Clifton Park, NY 12065.

4. The Library Board of Trustees will review the suspension at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Library Board. The patron will be provided with notice of the meeting date. A parent or guardian must accompany a minor (under the age of 18) to the meeting.

5. The Library Board of Trustees will hear the appeal and will vote to uphold or dismiss the suspension. The patron will be notified by letter of the decision of the Library Board of Trustees. The suspension will be in effect until this vote is taken.

Gutelius, Alex

From:	Gutelius, Alex
Sent:	Tuesday, July 18, 2023 11:06 AM
To:	cph-users; cph-users
Subject:	Michael Cook - Library privileges suspended

This morning I informed Michael Cook that his visitor privileges to the Library are suspended for a period of six months until January 18, 2024.. This suspension was issued because Mr. Cook attempted unauthorized entry to the Library's computer network, which is in contravention of Library Policy 4.5 Computer and Internet Use.

I had a conversation with Mr. Cook at the Library entrance just as the Library was opening. He recorded our conversation and was agitated about the fact that he was being banned, as he didn't feel he had violated any policies. Staff called 911, but Mr. Cook had left the library property by the time the police arrived.

I will share with you that the police said they have had no reports of any physical violence from Mr. Cook, and I didn't feel threatened during our conversation this morning.

If you see Mr. Cook at the Library, please let me or Jim know or the security guard.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Alexandra Gutelius
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Gutelius, Alex

From:	Gutelius, Alex
Sent:	Tuesday, July 18, 2023 10:54 AM
To:	David Golden (goldendavid50@gmail.com); Ed Rodger (aerodger@aol.com); jdigianni@gmail.com; joseph.gaug@albint.com; Maria McMunn; mathewcantore@gmail.com; Megan Brown; Purushothaman Srinivasan; rewisejr@gmail.com; s_j_meyer@yahoo.com; sdugan@cohenmilstein.com; suzannedugan@nycap.rr.com; Tom Madison (tjmadvisors1@gmail.com)
Subject:	Michael Cook

Good morning,

This morning IT staff at the Library informed me that Michael Cook had attempted to access the Library's network. A network cable was found attached to the computer Mr. Cook has been using regularly and there was an error on that machine. (Our security on the public network prevents anyone from connecting their personal computer) Because of this attempt to access our network, I informed Mr. Cook that he is banned from the Library again.

The discussion with Mr. Cook took place outside the Library entrance just before we opened at 9am. He started recording me and was agitated about the fact that I was banning him from the Library, as he didn't feel he had violated any policies. I didn't feel threatened by Mr. Cook, but he did become quite loud and I had a difficult time disengaging from the conversation. Staff called 911, and a State Police officer and several Sheriff's deputies arrived, but by that time Mr. Cook had left the library properly.

Mr. Cook asked for information about appealing my decision, and I informed him of the next Board Meeting date and time. I also told him that trustees can be contacted via email on our website.

I asked the police officers if Mr. Cook had ever become physically violent, and they said they had no knowledge of any issues of that nature.

I have emailed the letter and appeal procedures to Mr. Cook as we don't have a current mailing address.

I expect that he will post the video of our discussion on his social media sites.

Our guards and staff have been informed of the suspension.

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Gutelius, Alex

From:	Nemeth, Kimberly
Sent:	Wednesday, September 27, 2023 8:23 PM
To:	Gutelius, Alex
Subject:	Michael Cook

Hi Alex,

Michael Cook stopped by the library today a little before 8pm. He was very respectful and stayed on the other side of the security gates until he was able to get my attention. He stated he would like to appeal his suspension. He was aware that you told him to contact the board members but he does not have the ability to mail items. He gave me a number of copies of a document that he would like distributed to the board. I have put them in your mailbox. I wasn't sure if this justified an incident report, please let me know if you would like me to submit one.

Kim

Kim Nemeth,
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Introduction

Date	Name	Link	Duration
09/26/2023	CPH Public Library Appeal	https://youtu.be/F9wm7Wj2r7E	02:25:24

This link references a video on [YouTube] appealing the library director's determination on [07/18/2023] to ban me from the [Clifton Park Public Library] for (6) months for *allegedly* violating the [Computer and Network Policy].

This document is meant to be a formally written response to the letter I received on [09/17/2023] from the security guard [Kevin], which is addressed to ALL of the board of trustees written below.

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11	Joseph Gaug	*	0	Attorney

Michael C. Cook Sr.
Security Engineer
Secure Digits Plus LLC

From:	Gutelius, Alex
Sent:	Monday, October 2, 2023 5:47 PM
To:	securedigitsplus@gmail.com
Subject:	Suspension appeal

Mr. Cook,

The document you dropped off at the Library on September 27 has been shared with the Board of Trustees. In order for the Board to address your request for an appeal of your suspension, the trustees have asked that you submit your appeal in writing. You can mail a letter to the Library addressed to the Board of Trustees, or you can use the contact me form on the Library's website to email the trustees directly.
https://cphlibrary.org/contact/

Regards,

Alexandra Gutelius
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