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At

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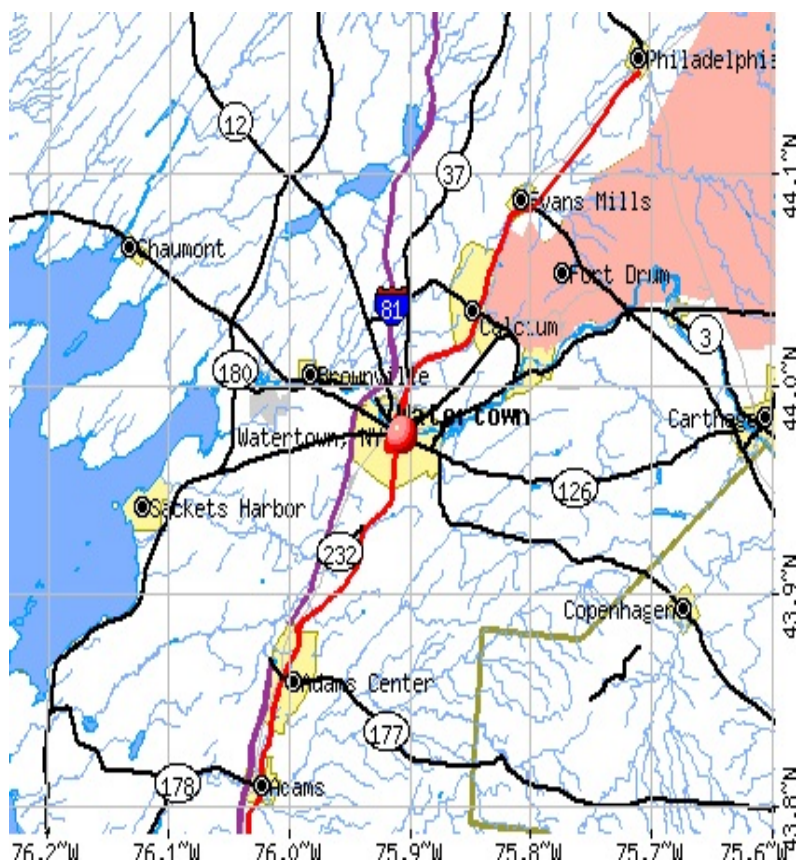
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PROLOGUE

The Following Transcript is from an actual 7 NEWS story and can be located at the link below...

<http://www.wwnytv.com/news/local/Local-Witch-Says-Thompson-Park-Vortex-Is-Real-227730441.html>

Local Witch Says Thompson Park Vortex Is Real

Story Published: Oct 14, 2013 at 4:36 PM EST

Story Updated: Oct 14, 2013 at 5:32 PM EST

Gael Steele calls herself a Witch Queen.

She believes Watertown's Thompson Park is home to a vortex, a passage into an alternate reality.

"Somewhere over there in that veil of trees, there's a place where people disappear," she said.

"There's been a longtime urban legend about this vortex in the park with strange happenings and there's been a lot of interest in the paranormal in Watertown," said Watertown Mayor Jeff Graham.

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Since the park opened in 1905, there have been tales of people disappearing, strange apparitions, noises - and of course the vortex.

"It's not hocus pocus. It's scientific," said Steele.

So now the city is dedicating a sign marking "Watertown's Area 51".

It's an idea stemming from Area 51 in Nevada, which was code named "Watertown" years ago in honor of then-CIA Director and Watertown native Allen Dulles.

"I thought it would be kind of fun to designate this area in Thompson Park, you know, so people will hopefully come there and get their picture taken...if they don't disappear first," said Graham.

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Legend has it the vortex is somewhere between the Thompson Park Zoo and the Watertown Golf Club.

But if you're trying to find it, be warned, it can be dangerous, according to Steele.

"You have to be very, very, very careful of it. Even I am. I've been lost in them twice," she said.

The dedication is scheduled for Friday at 7 p.m.

So if you dare, stop by.

And remember, don't be too scared.

It's all just an urban legend, right?

Chapter 1

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Quatrain II.24

by

Michel de Nostradamus

***Beasts wild with hunger
shall cross the rivers***

***Most of the fighting shall
be close by the Hister***

***It shall result in the great
one being dragged in an
iron cage, while the
German shall be watching
over the infant Rhine***



*Artillery Range Fort Drum, N, Y
Fort Drum, New York*

“THE REPORT ”

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Saturday, June 9, 2025, 9:30am

Log Entry: Lupo, James M. PhD.

Narrative,

Saturday, June 9, 2025, 11:00est

Artillery Range 3, Fort Drum, NY

As I stand here in this concrete bunker watching the smoke and cloud of dust dissipate, I look back to try to figure out how we got here.

I was told just an hour ago that history is wrong and I am both 14 and 22. What a trip! It is almost like my concept of reality has come in to question.

A shadow now appears through the smoke and dirt of someone we have all come to know as the purveyor of death instead of the hero we called GUARDIAN.

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I remember watching an interview in which he described to all who were watching that, it was more like swimming than flying in the air.

The shadow finally appeared as the full reckoning of what he has become, but instead of expressing anger he simply shook his head in disgust and “swam” away to the clouds.

I now must resume my interrogation of “myself”....I still can't wrap my head around what I heard.

I find some of what he / I told me to be possible, I can't help to think that this is some kind of test, some kind of simulation to see how I will respond or just a bad dream.

This 14 year old that I am looking at looks like I did 8 years ago. He talks like I did. I am told his DNA is a perfect match!

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The only difference is the way I wore my hair. You see my Grandmother made fun of guys with long hairs and when it would get too long around the ears or neck, she would say “get over here”.

Some of his history does jive with mine except, he claims his Grandmother died along with the other 6 million Catholics in World War 2. He Claims that Rudolph Hister went on this quest to exterminate all Catholics and got Mussolini to build great ovens and hanging fields on Sicily which were used to dump all the Catholics and he called this the scourge of the planet. He claims that Dad saw his mother taken away and never saw her again.

Walking back to the interrogation center, I think to myself, I guess I should continue the questioning....

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“Ok, Tell me more now what happened again. You said you were with other kids being chased up at Thompson Park...”

He proceeded to tell me, “Yeah dude, this limousine was chasing us for a while. It kept chasing us no matter where we went until we got to the lookout point.”

“What happened then?” I asked.

“I fell after the sun shined in my eyes.”

“But you said it was cloudy” I Said.

“Dude, it was the sun or something, maybe a flashlight I dunno it was very bright.” He stated

“And then,” I asked.

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“I ran home but no one was there. I went inside and an alarm went off, the cops came and few hours later they brought me here. I just wanna go home. Can I go home now?

I wanna go home.” He put his head down on the table and then began to cry.

I noticed that Carol Mancini was in the waiting for me and I got up to talk to her.

Carol is part of the CDC. She is a forensic investigator and back traces how viruses are spread. She has been investigating an antibiotic resistant sinus infection. Mortality rates have been very high. She wanted to see how the incident with Guardian was resolved since the DNA results of the so-called “SUPER VIRUS” were traced back to Guardian.

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The once popular savior of the North East has now become the pariah that Congress determined to eliminate by using the War Powers Act to sanction his death.

Guardian first appeared publicly appeared in late 2022. There were rumors he was around earlier than that, but there was never any verification. Guardian; as he has become known as, has exceptional strength, speed, and can as he calls it, “swim” in the air; he can fly. Numerous rescues, saved lives and property have been attributed to him throughout the North east.

There have been suspicions that he is linked to the explosion / terrorist attack that happened in Watertown back in 2017.

In November of 2017, the old Liberty ice cream building next to the Crystal restaurant was attacked by a faction of ISIS.

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Police immediately responded and all terrorists and a research scientist who had a lab in the building were killed. The lab and all research were destroyed by the fire that ensued after the gun battle.

Rumors ran amuck to the scientist's research since during the fire and explosions, a beam of light was directed towards Thompson Park.

Witnesses at the park claimed to have seen a round circle with spirals of different colors from a distance that were located by "look-out point".

Several teenagers were seen shortly before the incident in the area but were never located or questioned about the incident until today...

Apparently my younger self was among the teens that were present.

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There is a problem with this explanation.

I wasn't in Watertown at the time since my family and I had moved to Trumansburg which is 20 miles from Ithaca so that we could be closer to my Grandmother and my father's new job in the marketing department at Cornell University.

Carol was very interested in finding out about the young man in the interrogation room. You see, we went to school together up until high school and she stated that he reminded her of me at that age.

I asked Carol to join me in some more questioning without giving her any specific information about who he was.

I introduced Carol and asked him why he was up at the park.

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He said, “I was meeting with some friends to goof off before I went home to do my report.”

“There’s supposed to be news special on FOXNEWS about the 40th anniversary of President Kennedy and his wife Marilyn’s marriage.”

“Whoa, whoa, whoa,” I responded, “Marilyn?”

He continued, “Yeah she was an actress and he married after his first wife was killed in Texas by that guy behind the bushes.

They actually thought there may have been somebody helping the guy that killed her because they found a rifle on a window sill at the library across the street.

Dude! You’re older than me. Don’t you know HISTORY!

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I looked at Carol who then looked back at me and we were both in shock.

I asked “Did you write that report?” He then said, “NO!

All of a sudden we were chased by three cars and while running I saw the light and fell down.

I then went to get up and my friends were gone and the cars too. I was scared and ran home. Now I’m here.

I wanna go HOME!

Chapter 2

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James DeFranco

“Uncle Jim”

October 13 1912 – December 8 2015

“The OLD MAN”

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Wednesday, November 16, 201, 02:15pm

Sitting in a limousine near the entrance to the ZOO at Thompson Park an Old Man stares out the window towards the sky.

Looking at the clouds on this dreary day, the Old Man whispers to himself, “This is why the young leave the area.”

He recalls an interview that the singer Harry Chapin was on a talk show on how he spent two weeks one afternoon in a city called Watertown in upstate New York.

Nothing ever happens in Watertown, he thinks. The Old man is called Doc because his initials are D.R. referring to his name David Roth.

David Roth fought Nazis, helped in the formation of Israel, hunted Nazis with the likes of Simon Wiesenthal, Tuviah

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Friedman, Serge and Beate Klarsfeld, he assisted Henry Cumoletti at the Nuremburg trials, and also helped plan the raid on Entebbe and was the director of the Mossad (the Israeli secret service).

The passenger rear door opens and a young man joins him and sits down.

The young man who looks to appear in his late 20's or early 30's turns his head and greets the Old Man. "afternoon Doc," he says.

"Good afternoon Yusef." Doc replies.

Yusef then asks, "So what's the plan?"

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Doc replies, “We’re here a little early, about 25 minutes early to be exact.

I like to be early in case something comes up.”

Doc then asks, “Have you ever read any of the writings by Nostrdomas, Yusef?”

Yusef replies “No.”

Doc nods his head and says “Oh.”

Doc then says “Many have tried to interpret and / or debunk him. Many of his writings refer to Germany rising through the rise of Hister.

Some say it only refers to the river called Hister.

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“I don’t believe in any of that crap,” says Yusef.

Doc looks at Yusef and says, “It is sometimes hard to accept information when one over analyzes its source Yusef, but you must be open to alternatives or else things may come up unexpectedly

Did I ever tell you about my friend Clint Hall?”

Yusef shakes his head sideways and says “No”

“Well,” says Doc “Back in ‘64 he was working with the US Secret Service. He was in Dallas during the assassination of their president. He was the agent that rushed the car after shots were fired.

Later he was interviewed on TV by Myron Wallace.”

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“Who?” asks Yusef.

“Mike Wallace” says Doc as he continues, “Clint almost blew it and he wept like a baby when he told Wallace that he wouldn’t have been there for the interview and he’d have to take that to his grave. Wallace of course didn’t understand and assumed he meant he would have been shot doing his job and saved Kennedy.

You see Yusef, things always come up. We were there too and got Taylor.”

Yusef asks, “Who is Taylor?”

Doc answers, “He was the second shooter.

We got information on him and warned the CIA. They were just interested in Oswald.

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We trailed Taylor to that set of bushes they called the grassy Knoll.

We surprised him and took custody until the CIA showed up

We handed him over to the CIA and lost track of what happened to him because the CIA was pissed that we were there.”

“I never heard any of this” replies Yusef.

Doc continues, “Not everything is a part of the OFFICAL record. How do you think we got our hands on the nukes we have? Old Jonny Pollard wasn’t on a holiday. We had to deny him for a long time because we pissed of the CIA again.

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Hell, those clowns think they know everything and won't believe anyone that has information that they don't.

Just look how they dismissed the Russians when they warned the US about those loons, the Tsarnaev brothers in 2012.

That April disaster may not have happened if not for their incompetence!"

"The life you've lived, the things you've seen," says Yusef, "...Are just amazing!"

Doc replies, "There are some I wish I hadn't."

"Tell me Doc, are we gonna piss off the CIA being here now?" says Yusef.

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Doc replies, “They didn’t know about this the first time it happened I don’t think they know now.”

“Why are we here now?” asks Yusef.

“To stop something from happening. We still have ten minutes to go,” says Doc.

You know, I often wondered...” says Yusef, “...not to be morbid or sound naïve or anything, but how does time seem to go by as you get older?

Does it go by slow or fast?

Do memories fade or get distorted?

Some of the stuff you are saying is a little out there.

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You see, I ask this because you've gotta be near 80 or something, aren't you?"

"A little older than that," Says Doc

"How much older than that?" asks Yusef.

Doc replies, "I'll be 102 next Friday."

"So, you were born around 1914?" asks Yusef.

"No," replies Doc.

"Then 1915," says Yusef.

Doc answers, "No."

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“1913?” asks Yusef.

“No,” again Doc says.

“Then when?” asks Yusef.

Doc turns and looks Yusef into his eyes and says, “2002”

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7NEWS / FOX 28

“The INTERVIEW”

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Thursday, December 19, 2022

Announcer: You are watching 7 news tonight...with Brian Ashley and John Moore, weather with Joe LaPlante, and Mel Busler - sports.

Brian: Hi I am Brian Ashley

John: and I am John Moore

John: As many of you have wondered about or heard or even informed us of a black streak across the sky from time to time, well, tonight we have an answer.

Brian: Earlier this afternoon I received a call from one of our technicians in Master Control; Eric Amundsen.

He asked me to join him in Master Control. The conversation went this way:

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Eric: Brian, you need to get down here...hurry.

My response was: "What's up?"

Eric: "You need to get down here."

As I entered Master Control, Eric's back was to me. He turned holding his finger up and then stepped aside pointing at the window. What I saw astonished and amazed me. We turned towards each other in amazement.

I then gathered a videographer and we both left towards the front of the building.

Upon exiting the building, I noticed Dave Bartlett and his wife Robyn standing in front of their restaurant and Steve Duffany in the window of his insurance office in the Paddock Arcade looking out.

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As I approached the person “hovering” in the air in front of the 7 news office, I walked up to him and introduced myself and extended my hand.

Brian: “Brian Ashley.”

There was no response...

I repeated myself, "Brian Ashley - 7 News!"

Silence...

Trying to muster all of my reporting talents, I thought there might be some way to elicit a response...but were questions the best way?

Brian: “Cassie, Are you getting all of this on tape?”

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- Cassie Weed was our chief videographer; an award winning videographer and while I shouldn't have worried that she would be getting the shots of this mysterious being. I couldn't help but offer my suggestions about what and where to shoot.”

Brian: “O.K...Let me start over... Who are you? ”

The being suspended in mid air slowly rotated his head towards me and glared, but still there was no response.

He was dressed in an all Black suit from head to toe with his face covered.

"How are you able to suspend yourself in mid-air?"

His hollow eyes glared and the facial expression remained taut but the beings mouth didn't move...

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Brian: "If you were trying to get some attention, you've certainly succeeded, but beyond attracting some curiosity seekers...

What could possibly be the purpose for this stunt?"

That elicited more than just a glare... The being lowered its outstretched arms and stared directly at me.

Brian: "I'm a reporter, a TV journalist... Surely doing, whatever it is you're doing in front of a TV station was aimed at getting our cameras out here."

"That's what I wanted." He answered, "To make a scene."
I turned to Cassie and asked, "Cassie, do you think we need to roll the live truck?"

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I don't see any wires or anything that would explain how he's doing this... Any chance we've just met an otherworldly being? "

"I am not an alien", he responded

"Ash... I don't know what to make of this either!" said Cassie.

There was a small crowd gathering with people whispering and pointing. Others had stumbled onto the scene and were hiding in the entrance way to the Arcade; afraid of what they saw and unsure if it was real or surreal.

One man said dismissively, "It's a magic trick!" Another said, "It's some kind of publicity stunt!"

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“But publicity for what?” said her trembling friend.

“I don't know, but there is always some kind of reason for things like this!”

“I think it's pretty weird,” said another. “Should we be afraid?” echoed yet another witness.

No reporter worth his salt is going to give up on a story that he can't explain and that is creating a buzz in the community...

“I’m going to ask you once again... Who are you and what do you want? ”

“I am GUARDIAN”, he said.

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You could also see the muscles twitch; the body movement beginning and the lungs drawing in air in order to form words for a response...

“Again, I am a Guardian!” Those five short words coming out in a deep bass and then the figure resumed the rigid pose, suspended in mid-air, oblivious to the surroundings and all the witnesses who had gathered.

“What does that mean?” I asked but there was nothing. Not even the appearance of a rising chest taking in air to make a heartbeat.

The television live truck, replete with antennas and satellite dish and huge logo, lumbered around the corner and the driver almost crashed into the nearby cars when he saw the figure suspended in mid air...

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“What the F*%\$!!!” the driver exclaimed as he leapt from the truck and began to raise the microwave mast.

Driver: “Brian... It'll just take me a second to get set up... Are we going live with this? “I guess, but I'm not sure what we're going live with!”

The crowds were getting bigger. Word had spread by word of mouth. A police car with flashing lights screeched to a halt. The officer exiting with a hand on his gun holster...

“Everyone get back,” he shouted and like the Red Sea, the crowd parted to let him through.

The officer approached cautiously and encountered the news crew setting up their live truck.

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“And what do you guys think you're doing?”
asked the officer.

Brian: “Covering a news story... What else!”

The Guardian interrupted us and began to speak, “I wanted to simply make an entrance”

I responded: “You did that.”

“I wanted the people of Watertown to know I existed and not be scared of me,” he stated.

Brian: “How can you hover like that?” I asked.

“I am myself from here,” he said. “Something happened to me that made me stronger and I am able to “swim in the air.”

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“Swim,” I asked.

He nodded his head yes and then stated, “I needed to introduce myself and that I have done.”

“You certainly have done that,” I replied.

He then looked up, reached for the sky and moved arms down in a breast stroke motion and began to fly or as he said “swim away”.

Cassie looks at me and asks, “What was that about?”

Brian: “I don't know, but it's going to be the lead on the 6 o'clock news!”

I then pointed up to where Steve Duffany had been watching this event from his office.

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Brian: “I’m going up to talk to Duff”

Brian: “I am now in the offices of Stephen Duffany insurance in the Paddock Arcade which faces the 7 news office along with its owner Stephen Duffany.

Steve, after witnessing was just happened and the interview I just had, what is your reaction, your thoughts about Watertown having a SUPER HERO?”

Steve: “Well, with all the traveling he will be doing and all the things that are gonna come up, I would ask him if he has a good insurance agent. You see, I’ve got some great plans at discount prices and....”

Brian: “Well, there you go. {chuckling}

John, back to you in the studio.”



Disclaimer

*****Please be advised*****

The previous news report done by Brian Ashley of 7 NEWS, dated December 19, 2022, is purely fictional.

All the characters except for the “GUARDIAN”, portrayed in the story are actual living individuals who agreed to participate for a sense of realism

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CASE Jr. High
Watertown, New York

“SCHOOL’S OUT”

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Wednesday, November 16, 2017, 02:30pm

It was a dreary day.

The school bell at Case Jr. High just rang and eleven kids rush to their lockers.

Five kids come together to decide which way to go home.

Three live at East Hills and two of them live on Ohio Street.

The Marzano "boys" Clinton and David, live on Ohio Street.

Jim Lupo, Steve "Turtle" DeMarco, and Larry Ward all live at East Hills.

Jimmy Lupo's Dad lost his job at the Airbrake factory when it moved due to New York raising the minimum wage and the family was forced to move to subsidized housing.

Both Jerry "Turtle" DeMarco and Larry Ward are from single parent homes.

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All five have been placed on P.I.N.S. for various acts of stupidity; both criminal and civil.

It has been decided that they will cut through Thompson Park and mess with the animals in their cages at The Thomson Park Zoo.

While walking up Thompson Blvd., Turtle pulls out a pack of cigarettes and hands out one to each of the others.

They light up and keep walking.

They continue to “rough-house” until they reach Gotham Street and run up the hill.

When they reach the entrance to Thompson Park across from the Church, they stand and watch the cars speed up the hill as if something was being scoped out and planned while yelling at cars and flipping the bird to them as they passed.

One car with a young man inside hits his breaks causing them to screech as they engage with the pavement.

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They begin running into the park as if their lives depended on it.

As they arrive near the zoo and swimming pool area, they notice a limousine and two other cars simply parked in place with the motors still running.

Turtle lets the others know that he is going to F#\$k with them.

He steps in front of the limousine and does a “challenge” dance which has of recent become standard fare for Turtle to get their response.

Turtle sticks out his chest, raises his arms together and quickly stands on his toes. He then brings his arms down as leveling down on his feet at the same time, while at the same time pretending to give a challenge in facial gestures.

The passenger door on the limousine and a man steps out and stands by the window. He looks at the boys and doesn't say anything but anger can be seen by his fixed glare.

The boys take off running.

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A voice that is heard says, "Get in the car and let's go!"

All three vehicles start chasing the boys and the boys cut through pathways to avoid the chase.

The boys eventually reach the pavilion across from the pool and start laughing about how they got away with it as they notice the cars coming around the circle to the left of them.

They start running back towards the Zoo.

Turtle stumbles as he is helped to his feet by Jimmy Lupo, who is shaking with tears running down his face from his eyes.

The boys now believe they are in deep shit!

Once across the parking lot, they continue to run as Jimmy stumbles while turning his head to look back to see where the cars are located.

As Jimmy Lupo turns he temporarily blinded by a beam of light hitting the ground before him.

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His knees collapse and he falls to the ground. A cloud of smoke appears.

All three cars hit their brakes at almost the same time.

While gathering themselves together, the occupants of the car open their doors and step out of their vehicles.

As the smoke begins to dissipate, the men notice that the boys are nowhere to be found.

They then enter their vehicles.

A few minutes later they simply drive off.

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“CDC REPORT”

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CDC Audio Report, Case # 239-63-5793 NY,
Carol Mancici, Investigator, Atlanta,
Monday, December 05, 2023 09:00 hours.

I have been investigating an apparent pathogen outbreak in upper New York State around the area I grew up; WATERTOWN.

It at first seems like a sinus infection which is immune to all treatments.

Symptoms generally are similar to a post nasal drip that cumulates at the Suprasternal notch of the throat causing extreme aggravated explosive and convulsive coughing followed by a buildup of mucus in the nose which must be expelled.

At times these incidents have caused damage to



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the rib cage from the convulsive coughing along with Subconjunctival hemorrhage or an Edema in the eyes in the area of the retina masquerading as diabetic retinopathy.

Treatments so far have not resulted in any quantitative success on controlling the outbreak. All treatments seem to have a short minimal impact on the duration.

There are some rare cases in which the virus seemingly runs its course and the patient survives.

In other cases, the patient either has lasting results from the symptoms or succumbs to its effects by literally drowning.

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Monday, December 05, 2023 09:00 hours.

I have contacted the area hospitals including;
River Hospital, Carthage, and Samaritan and have
notified them of my expected arrival and
requested all records of patients be made available
for my review.

I will be arriving in Watertown around 2200 hours
tonight and will begin review tomorrow morning.”

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December 6, 2023

CDC Audio Report, Case # 239-63-5793 NY,
Carol Mancici, Investigator, Atlanta,
Monday, December 06, 2023 09:00 hours.

I arrived in Alex Bay at 1000 hours and was met by the Director of record TERRIE MCCOMB.

Terrie had initially contacted the CDC office in Atlanta when she got a rash from a tour of the 1000 islands and could not get the anti-viral to control the outbreak.

The Atlanta Office initially had the hospital quarantined until it was determined that there were no airborne pathogens present.

A review of the records simply verified results on hand.

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Monday, December 06, 2023 09:00 hours.

I proceeded to Carthage and found similar results
after meeting with the director there named
MYRA DOBLANSKI.

I will go to Samaritan in Watertown tomorrow.”

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Carol Mancici, Investigator, Atlanta,
Monday, December 07, 2023 09:00 hours.

I arrived Samaritan at 0900 hours and was met the
Director of records Troy Ashcraft.

We spent 3 hours going through the 250 cases
since 2020.

Every single patient had all the symptoms with a
variety of end results.

First diagnosed in June 2020 as a variant
strain of Pneumococcal Pneumonia; more cases
began to arrive. The pathogen does not seem to be
airborne.

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Unless direct contact is made with fluids expelled within a one hour time period from expulsion, the pathogen seems to die outside the infected host as if it has starved to death.

Further follow-up is highly recommended and stats will be compiled to track the evolution and progression of this pathogen.

Interviews with former patients and families will be done at a later date.”

Medical Definitions / Terms

Suprasternal Notch

The jugular notch is found at the superior border of the Manubrium of the sternum, between the Clavicular notches.

Subconjunctival Hemorrhage

The most obvious sign of a Subconjunctival hemorrhage is a bright red patch on the white (sclera) of your eye.

Despite its bloody appearance, a Subconjunctival hemorrhage should cause no change in your vision, no discharge from your eye and no pain. The only discomfort may be a scratchy feeling on the surface of the eye.

Diabetic Rretinopathy

Diabetic retinopathy is a major cause of blindness in people with diabetes and represents one of the most feared complications. Typical signs are represented by increased vascular permeability, tissue ischemia and Neovascularization.

Pneumococcal Pneumonia

Pneumonia is not a cold or the flu. Symptoms like fatigue, chest pain, and difficulty breathing can appear without warning, and can be severe. Certain symptoms, like cough and fatigue, may last for weeks, or longer.

Disclaimer

*****Special Note of interest*****

The previous reports are supposed to be photographs of PDF files from a USA government agency.

The agent making the recording and report is purely fictional as are the reports as represented by the date of the report.

No such agent or files actually exist.

(As far as this author Knows?)

Chapter 6

CHAPTER 6



“The INCIDENT at Public Square”

Part 1

The Vortex @ Thompson Park

Wednesday, November 16, 2017, 2:00pm

It was a dreary day.

Anthony Lathan was waiting in the lobby of the Trailways bus station.

He couldn't stop thinking of the conversation that he just had with Michael DeFranco in front of his store THE COMPUTER DOCTORS on Public Square earlier today.

Others in the lobby kept looking at him as he spontaneously started to shake his head and laugh.

DeFranco was often called the Clown prince of the square.

If he saw someone pushing a baby carriage, he would look at the baby and then wave and say BYE BYE.

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One day he saw a young woman and her 5 year old boy while it was raining and commented to the boy, “Do you think it might rain?”

The boy gave it right back to him and responded,” No, God is just taking a pee.”

He remembers how DeFranco just told him that he came back from an interview with TV7 for a job interview.

He was interviewing for a weather position because the weather man, John Kubis had taken a job with the Weather Channel.

He had described how he dressed up like an old farmer and did a Walter Brennan impersonation.

Scott Atkinson was in on the interview told DeFranco that he needed to go back to his day job.

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DeFranco once told him of the biggest compliment he'd ever received was from a lady walking by him. She looked at him and grinned and then said to him, "All I have to do is look at you and I start laughing."

The bus he has been waiting for just showed up.

His brother Daniel, who is 17 years old, has arrived.

Daniel and Anthony both grew up in Watertown but Daniel moved to Arizona upon graduating High School to live with his older sister.

Arizona was too hot for him and Daniel had asked Anthony if he could stay with him for a while.

The bus parks and Daniel gets off of it.

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They greet each other awkwardly not knowing if they should hug or not and instead Anthony extends his hand and they shake hands.

They start to walk to Public Square towards Anthony's lab right next to the Crystal Restaurant.

While telling Anthony about his long trip, Daniel starts to cough and then reaches for a Kleenex in his pocket to blow his nose. He complains about the post nasal drip he has had all his life and they both continue down to the Square.

Anthony tries to explain to Daniel the details of the project he is working on in his lab.

Anthony attempts to explain that it is similar to those TRANSPORTERS on that old TV series he likes called STAR TREK.

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Today he had planned his 10th Teleportation of a living animal to the basement from the third floor.

He explains to Daniel that he has already had eight successful attempts of various animal type and sizes.

They arrive at the building a few minutes later and proceed to walk the stairs to Anthony's lab.

While in the lab, Daniel is amazed by all the computers, scopes, meters and other devices all around the lab.

While looking at the equipment, Daniel makes his way to the front of the building overlooking the Square.

Daniel notices a SUV pulling up and parking in front of the building.

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Daniel hears loud knocking on the door downstairs.

A loud sound like wood breaking echoes in the hallway.

Daniel hears someone shout,

“ALLAH AKBAR!”

For a companion video to this story,

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Volume 4

**When the Author returns
from the VORTEX**

About The Author

Michael DeFranco currently owns his own Computer Repair business on Public Square in Watertown, NY.

He has been a Respiratory assistant, Athletic Trainer, Program Director for different Recreational programs and agencies, A Human Case worker for run away, troubled, and other youth programs, government agencies, an Adjunct Instructor at Jefferson Community Coll., Phoenix Coll., Scottsdale Community Coll., and Mater Dei, a PC telephone technician, , and an author.

Frankly, he could not decide what to be when he grew up.

This story will encompass 4 volumes and mixes fact, fiction, and speculation.

The Author hopes you will enjoy the story.

Thank you

To: Brian Ashley

It is said you can pick your friends; you can not pick your family.

I am glad to have picked Brian Ashley for a friend.

I am glad he also picked me.

With his contributions, assistance, and encouragement, I was motivated to complete this Volume1 of the VORTEX at Thompson Park.

Friends are chosen by each other.

Friends stick by each other.

Friends will risk everything including their reputation for their friend.

Brian Ashley is this type of friend.

Brian's assistance with chapter 3 of this Volume is too immeasurable to state in mere words alone.

It is my sincere hope that everyone has a friend like him.

Brian, from the bottom f my heart, THANK YOU.

Michael DeFranco

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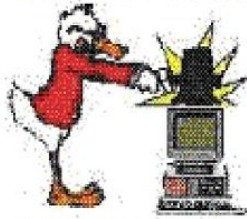
I would like to dedicate this story to my sister, Cecilia Belch, and to my friend Raymond G. Marshall, whose friendship and support only continue inspire me.

Thank you to the both of you.

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THOMPSON PARK.**

This story is purely fictional.

**This story contains real live people and real locations in fictional
situations.**

**Actual living real people interact with fictional situations and
fictional people.**

I want to emphasize that this story is purely fictional.

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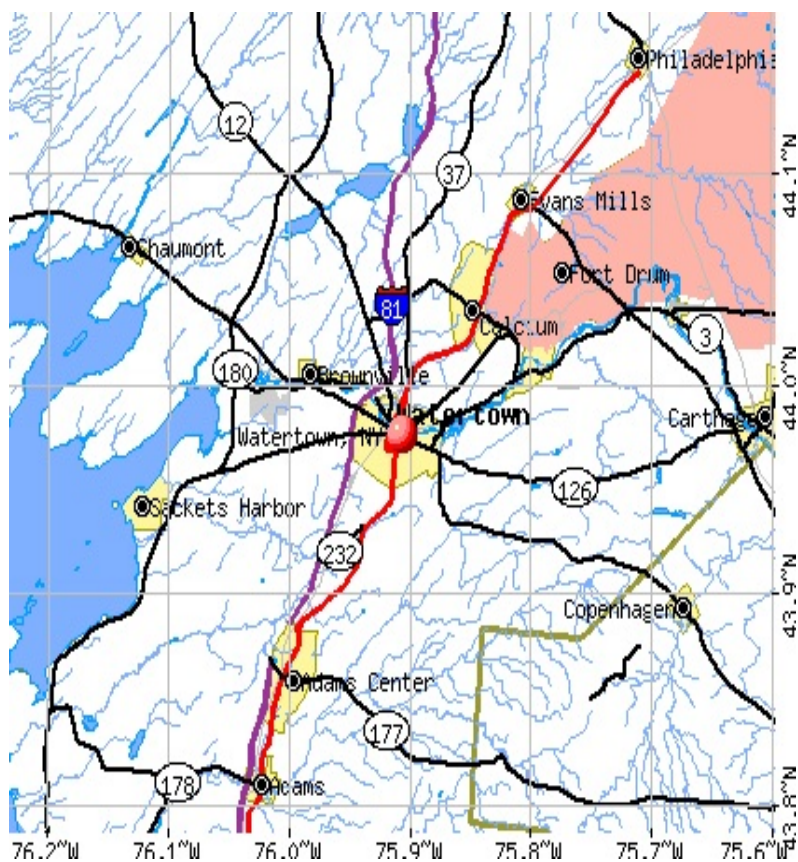


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At
Thompson Park

By
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MAP of Watertown, NY

Chapter 1

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Part 2

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Wednesday, November 16, 2017, 2:00pm

While looking at the equipment, Daniel makes his way to the front of the building overlooking the Square.

Daniel notices a SUV pulling up and parking in front of the building.

Three men get out of the SUV holding rifles of some kind and race towards the building.

Daniel hears loud knocking on the door downstairs.

A loud sound like wood breaking echoes throughout the hallway.

Daniel hears someone shout,

“ALLAH AKBAR!”

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Immediately, both of the brothers look at each other in complete shock.

Anthony looks at Daniel, raises his right hand and signals Daniel to come to him.

Daniel begins to tremble as he holds Anthony tightly against his chest.

Anthony looks towards a cylindrical cabinet in the Northeast corner of his laboratory.

Anthony then guides Daniel towards the tube.

He tells Daniel to get in it and to bend down and stay low.

Incoherent yelling and footsteps are heard coming from the men running towards Anthony's lab.

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The door knob seems is grabbed from the outside as the men are slamming into the door.

One of the men yells, “OPEN UP”.

Anthony states, “No, cops are on the way”.

One of the men yells, “I don’t care”.

The man is heard trying to kick the door in.

Three more attempts to kick the door occur before a crack in the door is heard.

One more kick opens the door.

One of the men shouts, “Get away from the computers”.

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The man is anxious and thinks Anthony is not responding and shoots Anthony in the right leg above the knee cap.

Anthony begins to slump over and reaches for computer on the table and reaches to press the ENTER key.

The man who shot Anthony begins firing at the computers as they begin a sequence of code on the screens.

A bright light appears to shine on top of the cylinder.

Different color lights seem to go vertical and horizontally back and forth.

They speed up and create a sporadic humming noise until the noise evens out to a constant pitch.

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The light temporarily blinds everyone in the room as flames begin to appear in and around the computer consoles.

The computers amazingly continue to process information on their screens.

One of the other men, after catching his bearings, runs towards the cylinder and opens the door.

It is empty.

Two of the men grab Anthony and start heading towards the door.

They enter the stairway and see Lt, Mike Mullins, who heard the call of a disturbance while on city business at AVON SHOES and Officer Glenn Brady a 19 and a half year veteran entering the building off Public Square.

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One of the three men yells, “ALLAH AKBAR!” and aims his rifle in their direction.

The officers duck as the man shoots and then they exit to the front of the building.

The three men continue down the stairs and then make a right hand turn to stairs that lead to the basement.

As they approach the basement door, the lights continue to flutter as if someone is flicking a light switch on and off.

As they enter the basement, the man entering the room notices a cylinder that is very much like the one that was upstairs.

A sporadic hum and lights engulf the cylinder just the same as it did upstairs.

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The man then rapidly discharges his rifle in a random fashion as he did in the lab.

Glass around the cylinder shatters and someone is seen moving...it is Daniel.

The man orders Daniel to stand.

Daniel complies.

He is then ordered to stand next to his brother.

One of the men grabs Daniel's right arm and attempts to move Daniel toward Anthony.

He can't move Daniel.

He attempts again to no avail.

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Daniel, getting upset, yells “Leave me alone”.

Daniel then places his open hand on the man’s chest and pushes him.

The man flies 20 feet across the room hitting his head on.
the wall, knocking him unconscious

A second man then aims and shoots his rifle at Daniel.

Instinctively Daniel raises his hands in front of his face as if that would protect him.

The sound of the rifle echoes throughout the basement.

Anthony looks over in the direction of Daniel and notices he is still standing.

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Daniel then uncovers his eyes and rushes at the man holding the rifle.

He then grabs the man and throws him in the direction of the second man that he had subdued and also knocks him unconscious.

The third man looks at both Daniel and Anthony. His face shows absolute horror and fear.

The man turns from the basement towards the front door of the building displaying that he has fear for his life written all over his face.

As the man approaches the front door, Officer Glenn Brady of the Watertown Police department, who was the first to arrive on scene, notices the man attempting to exit the building through the front door and also notices the man is carrying a rifle.

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Officer Brady removes his duty weapon from his holster, he then identifies himself as he positions his duty weapon towards the man and in a stern voice states, “Watertown Police, STOP WHERE YOUI ARE!”

The man slows down to a stop and raises his rifle in a threatening movement appearing to take aim at Officer Brady.

Again Officer Brady orders “Stop and drop the weapon!”

The man raises the rifle and points it at Officer Brady.

Officer Brady then fires in rapid succession and discharges his duty weapon 5 times.

As flames drop from the ceiling, Officer Brady approaches the man in an attempt to assure the man is disarmed and to verify the threat has been incapacitated and is not false.

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The flames appear to be growing in intensity and Lt. Mike Mullins then presses the button on his portable radio and requests a fire department dispatch and for Guilfoyle to dispatch an ambulance with paramedics.

At the same time Daniel helps Anthony to his feet and assists him to the back entrance of the building as flames continue to drop from the ceiling.

They make it to Anthony's truck and attempt to drive to Anthony's house to see his wife Sarah who is a nurse at Samaritan in hopes of getting from her treatment for his injuries.

Chapter 2

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**Watertown Daily Times Building
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**“Black Streaks
over the skies”**

WEDNESDAY, August 12, 2022

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Black Streaks over skies in Jefferson County...What are they?

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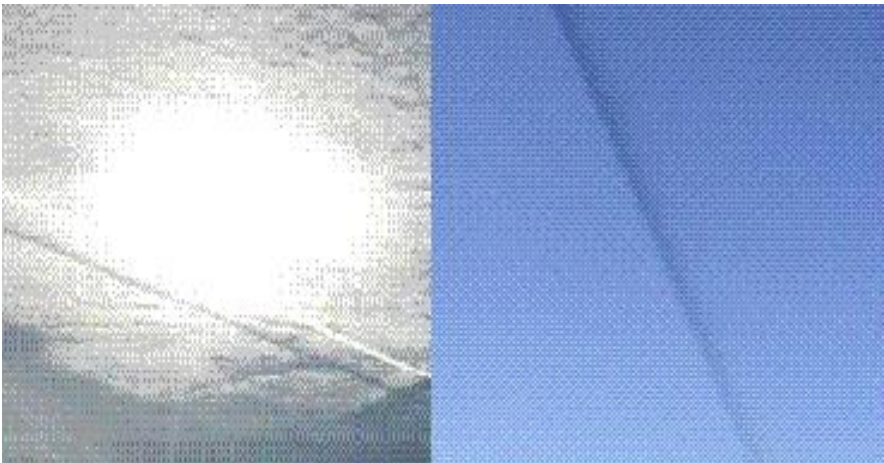
Reports of black streaks have been seen in the skies above Watertown along with the rest of Jefferson County.

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They seem to appear at different times, different locations, and different intensities.

It came to the attention of this reporter when a black line was reported in the evening of July 6, 2022 in front of a cloud, and appeared to be shooting up from the ground into the sky near Wellesley Island.



Black Streaks photographed near Wellesley Island
by Robin Chiappone on July 6, 2022

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"At first I thought it was an optical illusion because it was like a dark piece of sky with a light sky background," said Robin Chiappone.

"You could see through it."

Maybe it's a waterspout, she thought. That theory faded quickly. This was no funnel cloud

Confused, the 56-year-old Watertown resident pulled out her phone and took a couple of pictures.

She emailed them to the Times, attached with a note.

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"Any idea what this was?"

John Kubis, formerly of WWNY TV and now the chief meteorologist with the Weather Channel didn't know what the black line was either. He shared the photos with several other weather experts to no avail.

Joe LaPlante had a theory: It could be the shadow of a contrail, the stream of condensed water vapor left by a rocket or plane.

"The contrail could have been concealed by clouds," LaPlante stated.

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For such a shadow to appear, conditions need to be just right, with the sun and contrail in precise spots. But that's just a theory. LaPlante said no one he spoke with at Watertown International Airport is entirely sure what Chiappone saw.

However, one of the employees at the airport who did not wish to be identified said, "I think we're all just guessing what it was."

Over the past several years, many reports of high altitude aircraft emitting unusual contrails have been made. These reports, appearing in

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print, on radio, and the Internet have generated speculation about the origin, purpose, and effects of these lines which appear to be more numerous over the years.

Contrails are trails that appear behind jet aircraft and are formed by condensation, much like our breath does when we exhale in cold weather. The difference in contrail formation is that at the altitude where the contrails form, temperatures are very low and the condensation droplets rapidly freeze into ice crystals. This occurs mostly 5-10 miles up in the upper troposphere and the upper stratosphere.

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Contrails have been observed since WW11, and their persistence have been noted by airmen since they made formation flying difficult.

Leave your comment in the section below.

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Jimmy Mendez - Watertown • 9 hour ago

It was just someone launching a model rocket...What's the BIG DEAL? Why doe there always have to be a conspiracy? Give me a break.

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Jarrod Randall - Watertown • 8 hours ago

Maybe it was just gasses in the sky that mixed together when the planets aligned. I DON'T KNOW!



Douglas Keister - Watertown • 8 hours ago

It is simply exhaust mixing with the atmosphere from a jet on a training mission from Fort Drum. I see them all the time. There is absolutely nothing to worry about.

-Reply



Jim Gulley - Watertown • 1 hour ago

How come then, there was only one trail and not two? Don't jets have two engines?

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David Antonucci - Watertown • 7 hours ago

Everything has a beginning, middle, and an end.

The mystery is the first and the last.



Martin Timmerman - Watertown • 7 hours ago

I believe that the Aurora Borealis and Pavlof Volcano both in Alaska met up with the Canadian Jet Stream and created an atmospheric condition that no one has seen before. That is all I have to say about that!



Michael Martini - Watertown • 5 hours ago

It's a bird...It's a plane...

No, it's a dead bird falling from the sky after hitting a plane.

Disclaimer

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All the characters portrayed in the story are actual living individuals who agreed to participate for a sense of realism

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Chapter 3

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Degel Israel Synagogue
557 Thompson Blvd.

**“Confluence, Continuity,
&
Consequences”**

The Vortex @ Thompson Park

Wednesday, November 16, 2017, 2:56pm

Sitting in a limousine near the entrance to the ZOO at Thompson Park an Old Man, whose nickname is “DOC”, is sharing stories of his life with a younger man named Yusef. According to the Old Man they are waiting for something to happen.

“You know, I often wondered...” says Yusef, “...not to be morbid or sound naïve or anything, but how does time seem to go by as you get older?

Does it go by slow or fast?

Do memories fade or get distorted?

Some of the stuff you are saying is a little out there.

You see, I ask this because you’ve gotta be near 80 or something, aren’t you?”

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“A little older than that,” Says Doc.

“How much older than that?” asks Yusef.

Doc replies, “I’ll be 102 next Friday.”

“So, you were born around 1914?” asks Yusef.

“No,” replies DOC

“Then 1915,” says Yusef.

Doc answers, “No.”

“1913?” asks Yusef.

“No,” again Doc says.

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“Then when?” asks Yusef.

Doc turns and looks Yusef into his eyes and says, “2002”

Surprised by Doc’s answer, Yusef asks, “What do you mean by that?”

“We should pull out and leave. It ain’t gonna happen. I wanted it to happen. I knew it wouldn’t,” says DOC

Yusef replies. “What are you talking about?”

Doc leans towards Yusef while looking him straight into his eyes and says, “Confluence, Continuity, & Consequences”

Bewildered by the comment, Yusef simply shakes his head and leans back against his seat with his face showing absolute frustration says to Doc, “I am lost. I am confused.”

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“I imagine you are,” says DOC.

Doc continues, “Only two other people know what I am talking about and one of them died 30 years ago.”

“Who?” Asks Yusef.

Doc replies, “My brother.”

“I did not know you had a brother,” says Yusef.

“Clint. My brother’s name was Clint,” says Doc.

“Like your friend, that Clint Hall guy?,” asks Yusef.

“Yep, that’s him.” Says DOC.

“What do you mean that’s him?” asks Yusef.

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“That’s him,” repeats Doc.

Doc continues. “He arrived in 1947. You say you’re confused, Boy was he confused.”

“You said he arrived... From where, your country?” asks Yusef.

“From 2017.” Responds DOC.

“Was that your address?” asks Yusef.

Doc laughs and says, “No, the year.”

“You see,” says Doc, “It all has to do with that DAMN Vortex right there.”

“I don’t see noth’n,” says Yusef disappointedly.

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Again Doc begins to laugh and then says “That’s because it didn’t happen.”

“Someone up there has a weird sense of humor.”

“How can something happen and not happen?” asks Yusef.

“I don’t know Yusef. I have tried to figure it for almost 90 years and I still can’t understand it myself.”

“All I know is that 3 things happened during my life and some aren’t right. The first affected the third one in such a way that, I shouldn’t even be here.” says Doc.

“Well, this is already over my head and I am already failing to comprehend any of this, so go on.” says Yusef.

The limousine reaches to the entrance at Gotham Street and turns right on to Thompson Boulevard .

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Doc notices on the left hand side of the street 2 boys casually walking towards Degel Israel synagogue.

The limonene slows down to turn left into the parking lot of the synagogue.

Doc recognizes them. They are Larry Ward and “Turtle” DeMarco.

The Marzano boys are no where to be seen, either is Jimmy Lupo.

“That right there is what I changed, two instead of five,” says Doc.

“Two, instead of five,” asks Yusef confusedly.

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“I know this is gonna sound strange given where we are, but I made my peace with Jesus and asked him to forgive me.”

Yusef’s mouth drops and he stares forward as if in a trance.

“I didn’t always belong to this congregation Yusef.

As Hister called them, I was one of the scum, I was Catholic. St. Anthony’s was my family’s church,” Says Doc.

“You keep bringing up Hister and how he hated the Catholics. I’ve never heard of that. What’s that about?” asks Yusef.

“He didn’t do it this time. I stopped him. I killed the BASTARD!” says Doc raising his voice now.

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“This time? You stopped him? I don’t know what to make of all this,” says Yusef.

“I have been trying to atone for my sins almost 90 years Yusef. I just wanted to stop it. That is why we went to the park.”

Doc takes a deep breath and says, “Everything I did after that BASTARD died was an effort to atone. I didn’t even think someone else would rise to power in Germany.

You see Hister was a career Colonel and Hitler was just a con man and couldn’t get any higher in rank than a corporal. He conned everyone in Germany and you know what the result was,” DOC explained.

“So, you are saying you caused the Holocaust?” Yusef asks loudly.

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“Every bit as much as that DEVIL Hitler.

Good, we’re here.

Now I can have some peace.” Says Doc.

“How?” asks Yusef.

Doc then replies, “We are here so I can turn myself in and surrender.”

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Definitions from: **merriam-webster.com**

Simple Definition of *confluence*

- a place where two rivers or streams join to become one
- a situation in which two things come together or happen at the same time

Simple Definition of *continuity*

- the quality of something that does not stop or change as time passes : a continuous quality
- something that is the same or similar in two or more things and provides a connection between them
- the arrangement of the parts in a story, movie, etc., in a way that is logical

Simple Definition of *consequence*

- something that happens as a result of a particular action or set of conditions
- importance or value

Chapter 4

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Fort Drum, New York

“The meeting At Fort Drum”

The Vortex @ Thompson Park

June 9, 2025, 09:30am

On a somewhat dreary morning, the drive for James Lupo to Fort Drum from Ithaca took a little under 2 hours.

He recalls that yesterday h went online at the USA jobs site and found several listings for jobs at Fort Drum in the Watertown area. He begins to ponder about his home town while driving North on Route 81.

The drive from Ithaca took a little under 2 hours this morning.

Yesterday I went online at the USA jobs site and found several listings for jobs at Fort Drum in Watertown.

As a kid, I grew up in Watertown and enjoyed my time with my Aunts, Uncles, and cousins.

I have wanted to return for awhile now but I had to

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complete and present my Thesis for my Doctorate at Cornell.

Several positions in child and family Psychology were listed and I received a call a few hours after applying for several of the positions to meet a Major named Jack Donohue at 9:30 today.

I never dreamed I would get a response quite this fast.

I was told not to expect to hear something for a while since positions were generally filled by spouses even if they did not qualify for those positions.

Sitting here in the Major's office, I am both excited and nervous about the interview that is about to occur.

The receptionist was a little apprehensive when I showed up this morning

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She has consistently avoided eye contact since I arrived and sat down.

Two officers now are exiting the Major's office and one says, "We'll be in touch".

A man now appears in the doorway and looks directly at me.

"Lupo?" he asks.

I nod my head and say yes".

"Come in," he says.

As we enter his office, he signals to a chair and says, "Sit down."

"Tell me about your self," the Major says.

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“Well,” I began. “I currently live in Ithaca but I spent my teenage years in Trumansburg. I have a degree in Child Psychology and a minor in Deviant Behavior.”

“No, No,” The Major interrupted. “About your self, your family, your upbringing, where you grew up.”

“Excuse me,” I said.

“I understand you grew up here in Watertown. When did you move to the Southern Tier?” questioned the Major.

“When I was 12,” I said.

“That was what... 7th grade?” the Major asked.

I nodded my head yes and he proceeded

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“So you didn’t go on to 8th grade at Case Jr.?” the Major asked.

My answer was, “No.”

“Why do you ask?” I said.

“My understanding was that you graduated from Watertown High,” the Major said.

He continued.

“Oh, wait a minute, that’s wrong.”

“You went missing, didn’t you?”

I responded, “What are you talking about. I told you we moved to Trumansburg.”

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“That’s interesting,” He said in a soft voice.

“When did your Grandmother die?” The Major asked.

“She’s still alive. And what does my family have to do with this job interview?” I asked.

“Not a thing.” He said, “What makes you think this is a job interview?”

“Why else am I here? I applied the other day for some postings here and assumed you needed someone right away,” I said dumbfounded.

“I guess that was just coincidental.” Said the Major

“Why am I here?” I asked.

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The Major then stood up and said, “Let me show you something.”

The Major then drew back some curtains in his office and asked me, “Does he look familiar?”

Strangely enough he did. He looked like pictures of me that I recently shared with my girlfriend but there was something different about him. His clothes, his attitude, his hair were all different than me.

“Want to talk to him?” asked the Major.

“I sure as hell do,” I responded.

As we entered the room, the Major looked at the boy and said, “Jimmy, I want you to meet someone. This is James, he is a doctor and he wants to ask you some questions. Is that Ok?”

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“How’s it going?” I asked.

“Ok, I guess,” said Jimmy.

“How old are you Jimmy?” I asked.

He responded, “14.”

“Do you know why you are here?” I asked.

“No!” he said, “I didn’t do nothing!”

The Major interrupts, “Breaking and entering ain’t nothing kid. What would your parents or your Grandmother say about that?”

“My Grandmother’s dead” He yelled.

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He continued, “She died on Sicily. My Father saw her dragged away and never saw her again. All the Catholics were killed by that ASSHOLE Hister!”

“Who?” I asked.

“Rudolf Hister! He ruled Germany in WW!! He killed all the Catholics on Sicily. He turned it into a prison camp. Boy, you gotta read more DUDE!” He said.

The Major looked at his watch and then at me and said, “Let’s take a break.”

As we exited the room I asked, “This is not your typical interview, is it?”

“What makes you think it is an interview?” The major asks and then continues “You keep asking me that.”

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“We simply matched his DNA with yours on file at the New York State DMV, then contacted Cornell and got your phone number.”

A lot of commotion started happening in the hallway. Soldiers began running up and down the hallways.

The Major looks at me and says, “Guardian must be here.”

I asked, “Are we safe?”

“Oh Yeah.” Says the Major.

We walk down the hallway and then we enter a bunker with few windows.

The Major then points to a window.

A woman walks up to the Major and him with some paperwork.

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He turns to me and says, “we’re gonna pay ou for your time here and it may turn it to something else, I don’t know yet, but fill out this paper work and use this form to write a report up.”

I look out and see Guardian.

After a few seconds, I hear and see rockets and missiles being launched at Guardian

The sky very quickly filled with smoke and explosions.

As I stand here in this concrete bunker watching the smoke and clouds of dust dissipate, I look back to try to figure out how we got here.

I was told just an hour ago that history is wrong and I am both 14 and 22. What a trip! It is almost like my concept of reality has come into question.

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A shadow now appears through the smoke and dirt of someone we have all come to know as the purveyor of death instead of the hero we called GUARDIAN.

I remember watching an interview in which he described to all who were watching that, it was more like swimming than flying in the air.

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I now must resume my interrogation of myself.

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“Tracing the BUG”

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**CDC Audio Report, Case # 239-63-5793 NY,
Carol Mancici, Investigator, Atlanta,
Wednesday, December 07, 2023 09:00 hours.**

Upon completing Investigations over the past 9 months, I have attempted to trace the origin of the pathogen named H9N9.

There has been no discernable link to any host.

As of this date, we have been unable to establish patient "ZERO" or a root cause for this variant pathogen.

I have examined survivors and those who have succumbed to the pathogen.



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I have not been able to formulate a universal antiviral.

The question that arises is if the pathogen is of an environmental cause or something else. One hypothesis for instance, is extraterrestrial origin.

I don't consider this taboo, nor am I suggesting a wild goose hunt for a way out there theory.

I am not suggesting aliens or space ships, but the pathogen could be labeled as an extraterrestrial biological entity because of its non terrestrial attributes.

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Back in November of 2009, a meteorite was found buried by ice in the Arctic.

Questions and speculation arose when the idea that the meteorite was from Mars.

Rumors ran amok of the possibility of whether or not life was transplanted here on Earth

Speculation was further exasperated by the theory called "*Panspermia*", which is that life on Earth may have come from beyond.

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The organic raw materials from comets, asteroids or meteorite were rained down on the planet back in the heavy bombardment days of the early solar system.

These bacteria could very well be Extremophiles which are organisms that live and thrive in "extreme environments," under high pressure and variable high and low temperatures.

These bacteria often form on the rocks near the hydrothermal vents lakes and rivers and could have been dormant for more than a millennia.

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A unique idea was suggested by one of my colleagues in the New York CDC Office, Dr. Ann Fons.

Her suggestion was to involve Guardian.

Guardian's exploits and heroics are well known on the East coast.

He has unbelievable skills including immense strength, speed, endurance, and immunity to all known diseases.

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The idea is to swab his cheek and take saliva samples in order to create an antiviral under controlled conditions.

Billboards and news broadcasts were arranged for Guardian to contract the CDC in Syracuse.

The media has barraged the office as to why we tried to contact Guardian. Outlets, both national and local, have been persistent in the questions as to why the meeting with him was requested.

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Guardian contacted the New York office a few days ago and we will begin tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. in the Syracuse office.

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The agent making the recording and report is purely fictional as are the reports as represented by the date of the report.

No such agent or files actually exist.

(As far as this author Knows?)

Chapter 6

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SUBWAY on Public Square
**“Witnesses to the
Incident at
Public Square”**
Part 1

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Wednesday, November 16, 2017, 0300pm

As the Channel 7 NEWS vehicle pulls up in front of April's Cake shop, veteran news reporter John Moore steps out exiting the vehicle.

The scanner at the station reported a fire and gun shots reported next to the Crystal restaurant.

John gathers his camera bag and other equipment from the back of the Channel 7 news vehicle so that he can prepare for his story at the scene.

As John is crossing the street heading towards SUBWAY his attention is drawn across the street to the north side of the square and to the green building next to the Crystal.

As he enters the crosswalk to head to the square he encounters a person who most refer to as Little "Q"

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although some in other media outlets also refer to him as “Scanner Boy”.

Little “Q” was given the nickname by local talk show host Glenn Curry.

Glenn, describes himself as “YOUR SO-CALLED HOST” of the “LIVE @ 5” call-in show at the local radio station 1240 AM WATN.

Glenn created the moniker Little “Q” in response to the young man’s incessant, inquisitive and, simple observations and responses to activities and incidents that are sometimes newsworthy. Very few know his real name.

He approaches John and asks, “John did you hear what happened?”

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“Yes I did.” John responds.

“A fire and a shootout,” Little “Q” says

“Yes, I know,” says John

As fire sirens are heard, Little “Q” says to John, “Fire Department is on its way.”

John says, “I Know.”

As they get closer to where John can set up, he asks Little “Q” to stay back and not get in the way.

As he places his bag down, he spots Lt. Mike Mullins and Officer Glenn Brady having a conversation.

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As John approaches the scene, he is able to hear the conversation that Officer Brady and Lt. Mullins are having.

The officer seems to be agitated and John over hears him say, “Why me? There are 62 officers in the department.

Why me? Why did I have to be called and dispatched to this location at this time? I only got 6 months left!”

John is getting closer as Officer Brady notices him.

“Oh Shit!” Officer Brady says.

Lt Mullins responds, “What?”

Officer Brady points to John.

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Lt Mullins looks at Officer Brady, he then points to his car and says, “Get in the car.”

As Officer Brady enters his vehicle he is heard saying, “Six months to go! Why me? Why now?”

As John gets closer to the scene, Lt. Mullins walks toward him.

They look at each other and John asks Lt Mullins,
“What’s going on Mike?”

Lt. Mullins responds, “Can’t comment now John.”

Fire trucks continue to assemble.

Capt. Todd DeMar of the Watertown Fire Department has arrived on the scene and begins to direct the firemen to locations around the building.

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Lt. Mullins asks John to step back and John complies.

“Mike, just give me a quote or something. I need something,” orders John

“Not today. No Comment,” Says Lt Mullis

Lt Mullins then approaches his car with Officer Brady inside on the passenger side with Officer Brady looking visibly shaken.

Lt Mullins turns back to John and says, “Sorry Bud, not today.”

John reaches down and picks up his camera bag and watches as the two officers drive away.

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John then notices a crowd has formed in front of Subway and proceeds to cross the street and notices Little “Q” again heading towards him.

John begins to walk towards Subway with his head down in an effort to avoid eye contact with Little “Q”.

Little “Q” approaches John and asks curiously, “what you find out, what you find out?”

John looks at Little “Q” and snaps, “I got a job to do, let me do it.”

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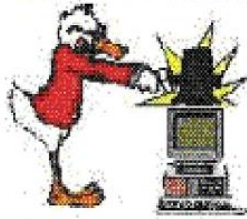
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Many have claimed to enter it and some have claimed they know exactly what it is;

I don't know what it is and all I have to say about it is,

I AM NOT GOING ANYWHERE NEAR THAT DAMN THING!!!

Alan Waltz, Watertown, New York

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They are glimpses we get out of the corner of our eyes of a hooded figure, but we turn our heads to look, there is nothing there.

This series of books may explain WHY!

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I can't wait to see the rest.

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Which is it??"

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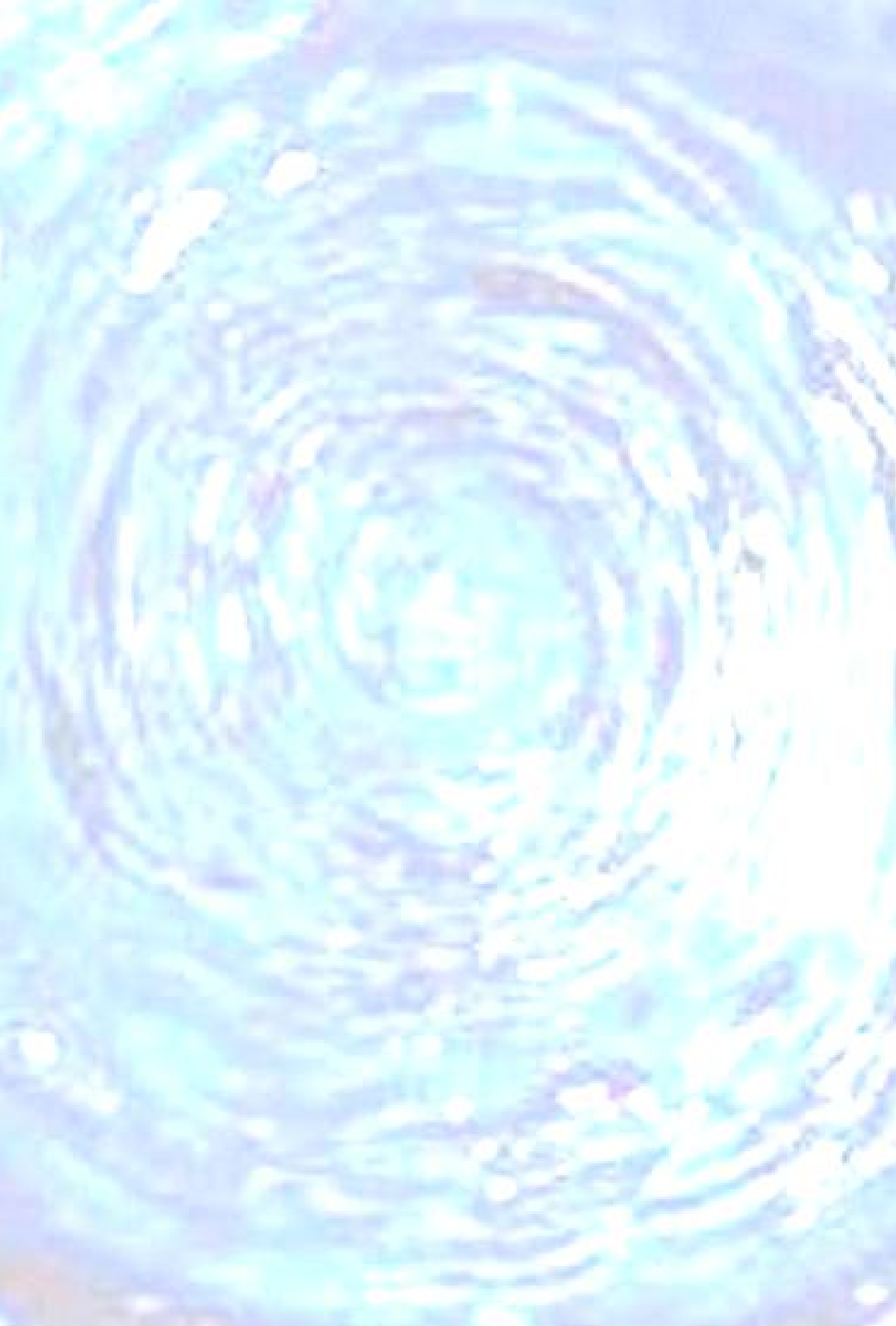
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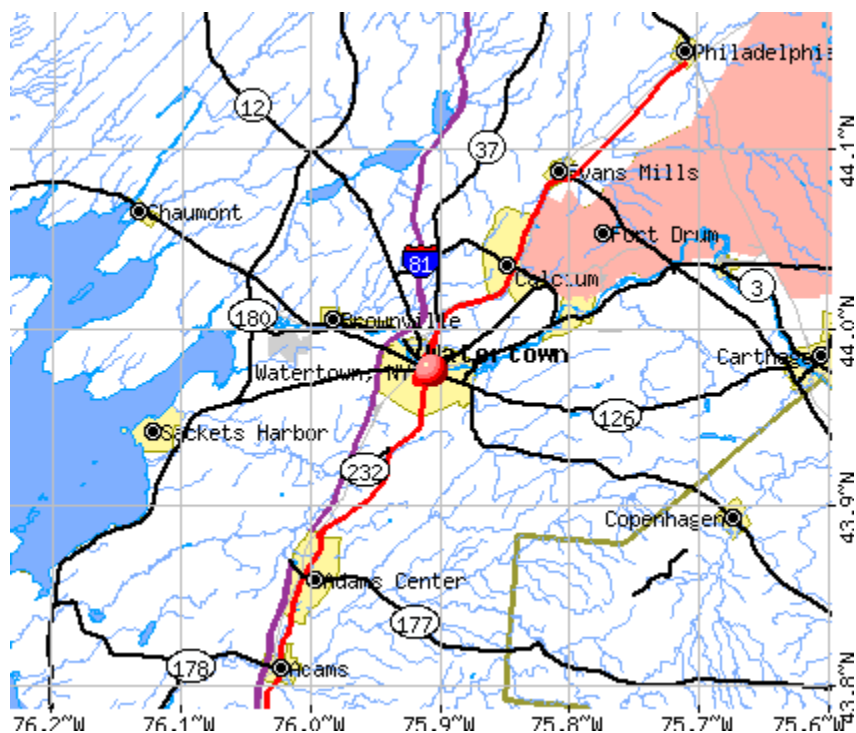
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Chapter 1

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Subway
Public Square
Watertown, New York

“The Witnesses to
the Incident on the Square”
Part 2

Wednesday, November 16, 2017, 3:10 PM

After attempting to interview both Lt. Michael Mullins and Glenn Brady about their involvement at the incident on the Square, veteran news reporter John Moore begins to walk towards Subway with his head down in an effort to avoid eye contact with Little “Q”.

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John then sets his camera bag down and looks at the crowd.

John then asks, “Does anyone want to talk on air about what happened and what you saw?”

Some of the patrons all begin to respond simultaneously, John states in a clear and calm voice, “One at a time please.”

John begins to look around and spots Ginny Hughes, a regular patron of the restaurant, whose congeniality and wisdom go hand in hand with her young age of only 72,

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immediately states, “no, no, no, no, no, no, no, I don’t want to be on TV!”

John looks Ginny and asks, “Are you sure?”

John then begins to chuckle as Ginny continues to say, “Oh no, no, no, I don’t want to be on TV! NO TV. No TV.”

Just then, the co owner of the SUBWAY, Martin Timmerman looks at John and says, “A lot of excitement here today!”

“That’s an understatement,” responds John.

Marty, as he is known to his patrons then says to John, “You might want to start with Ollie.”

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Oliver Compo had just arrived shortly before the incident began to meet his daughter for lunch.

As Oliver walks towards John,; who is setting up his camera to face the Crystal restaurant as background, Oliver extends out his hand to shake hands with John who notices that Oliver is appearing to be a bit bewildered.

Pointing at a chair in the middle of the room, John gestures Oliver to sit.

“Have you ever been on TV before?” John asks.

Oliver shakes his head as to say “NO” without muttering a word.

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As he pins a microphone on Oliver's shirt John Tells Oliver, "I want you to look at the camera, talk to the camera, not me, OK."

Oliver nods his head yes.

Now say your first and last name and then spell it," John says.

"Oliver Compo, O-L-I-V-E-R-C-O-M-P-O," Oliver responds.

John asks, "So tell me what happened?"

"I was over at the Computer Doctors picking up my laptop when my daughter called and wanted to see me.

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She said she had a fight with her boyfriend and didn't know what to do, so I told Mike I was going over to Subway and I'd bring him back a meatball sub.", says Oliver

John comments,

"He gets more lunches than any one I know."

They both kinda laugh a little and Oliver continues...

"I met up with her and we were in line and I heard what I thought were fire crackers or something. I turned to look but my daughter then asked what I wanted and I forgot about it," Oliver says.

All of a sudden another customer yells, "Didn't you see the three guys getting out of that green van with guns?"

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“Hang on, I’ll get to you,” Says John.

Oliver says, “No”, I wasn’t paying attention.”

“Go on,” says John.

“Well, we got our order and I heard some more fire crackers and then noticed smoke coming from that green building next to the crystal. I left my phone back across the street and told my daughter to call 911 for a fire truck and then I saw a cop come out of AVON shoes and another cop pull up.

As they were talking, there was an explosion and electricity seemed to go up from the roof and throw like a giant flash light beam up State Street

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A guy tried to leave the building and I heard that chubby cop yell at him and then he shot him. Fire trucks showed up. People asked if I knew what happened, I told them NO and then you showed up,” Says Oliver.

“Any thing else?” Asks John

John then removes the microphone from Oliver’s shirt and asks, “Who’s next?”

The man who asked about the three men walks up to John,

As the man approaches John, John notices Little “Q” looking through the window with his hands above his eyebrows to shade from the sun.

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John gestures Little “Q” to move out of the camera shot.

Little “Q” seems to get excited and moves his bike to the front door of Subway and enters the restaurant.

John’s head seems to drop in a manner resembling exhaustion.

Little “Q” then walks towards John who immediately looks at Little “Q” and says to Little “Q”, “I’m working “Q”.

I don’t have time for this, just sit down and please be quiet.

The sad puppy dog look now appears on the face of Little “Q” as Little “Q” grabs a chair and sits down/

The man then approaches John, His name is Gary Beasley.

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He is the Executive director of Neighbors of Watertown, a non profit organization which provides low income housing units on Public Square.

“Hi Gary,” says John

Gary responds, “John”

He asks Gary to sit so he can put a microphone on the corner of his collar

“I want you to look at the camera, talk to the camera, not me, then say your first and last name and then spell it,” John says.

“Gary BEASLEY, G-A-R-Y-B-E-A-S-L-E-Y,”

Gary replies.

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“You said you saw three men get out of a van, what happened then?” asks John.

“As you know John, my vantage point allows me to see almost entirely around the Square,” says Gary.

“So what did you see?” asks John.

“I’m getting to that,” Gary continues, “For some reason, I happened to notice this ugly green, rusted van pull up to the front of the Crystal.

Three men with beards got out and each of them was holding some sort of long gun.

I don’t what kind, maybe rifle, shotgun, I don’t know.”

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Gary pauses for a moment and takes a deep breath. John can see that Gary is concentrating attempting to gather his thoughts so he can express them as clearly as possible.

“They went towards the door yelling and screaming while attempting to open the door in the building to the left of the Crystal. They repeatedly kicked the door.

They attempted to ram it with their shoulders and finally broke in.”, Gary says

“What did you do,” asks John.

Gary responds, “I immediately dialed 911 and told them what was going on,”

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“Yeah, then,” asks John.

“They informed me that an officer was next door at Avon Shoes and another Officer had been dispatched.

I then informed my staff and we all went out to see what was going on...” Gary said.

What did you see?” asks John

“By the time we all gathered outside, the building had begun to catch fire and Glenn Brady was standing over some one on the ground with his weapon drawn,” Gary says.

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“Did you see that beam of light Oliver was talking about?”

Asks John

“I might have out of the corner of my eye, but that was not where my attention was drawn to,” responds Gary.

“So you did not see Officer Brady discharge his weapon?”

John asks

“That must have happened before we all got outside,” says Gary.

“Any thing else you want to add?” asks John.

“Not that I can think of,” says Gary.

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“OK, Thanks Gary,” John says.

John looks around and asks, “Anyone else?”

There is no response.

As John begins to pack up his equipment, He notices that Little “Q” is getting up from his chair.

John tries to pack up his equipment as fast as he possibly can.

As Little “Q” approaches him, he tells Little “Q”, “I can’t talk “Q”.

I got to get this ready for 6:00 airing.”

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As John begins to leave Subway, He notices that Michael Hennegan, the former Chief of Police for the City of Watertown is crossing the street from the direction of the Crystal restaurant. John waits for Michael to cross the street and tries to get his attention.

“Chief...Chief, did you see any thing of what happened?” says John.

“Hi John, It’s not Chief any more, just Mike,” Mike replies.

“Would you be willing to go on camera and describe it if you did?” asks John

”Sure, no problem,” replies Mike

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John then sets his camera bag down. He removes the camera and begins to set it up as his cell phone rings.

John notices that the call is from 7 NEWS and picks it up.

“John, are you almost done?” asks Anne Richter the co-anchor of the evening news along with her husband Brian Ashley.

“Pretty much, just starting to interview Chief Hennegan,” John says.

“Well, Brian is on the line with several national outlets and everyone else is running around like chickens with their heads cut off,” says Anne.

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John in a surprised way begins to quietly laugh and tells Anne, "I'll try to get back as soon as I can."

Anne then says to John, "Hurry back because you are going to be the lead at 6."

"Gotcha," replies John as he ends the call.

John then turns to Mike and places a microphone on Mike's collar and says, "Look at the camera, talk to the camera, not me, then say your first and last name and then spell it," John says.

Michael Hennegan, M-i-c-h-a-e-l-H-e-n-n-e-g-a-n"
Says Mike

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“I am here with retired Chief of Police for the City of Watertown, Mike Hennegan, who was a witness to some of what happened hereon the Public Square.” Says John

John then looks at Mike and says,”Chief, can you tell the viewers what happened?”

“I was in the City Constable’s office waiting for my wife Pattie, who you know is the city Constable, and I heard several rapid fire gun shots that seemed to come from across the street in the vicinity of the Crystal and noticed a green van heading towards Court Street at a high rate of speed,” says Mike.

“Can you give us any more details of the van?” John asks.

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“I’ve given a more detailed description to the investigators; you’ll have to get that from them,” says Mike.

“OK, please go on,” Replies John.

“As I crossed the street, I noticed uniformed officers who had their side arms drawn were restraining a suspect on the ground. I drew my weapon to provide them backup, but as I approached, I notice they had the situation under control and re-holstered my weapon when I was informed that other units had started responding to the scene,” says Mike.

“Can you tell us who were the officers involved in the shooting? Did you or are you aware of who the suspects are?” asks John.

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“I did not recognize the suspects and it is not appropriate for me to identify the officers involved. You’ll have to get that from the Public Information Officer or the investigators, that’s not my job anymore,” says Mike.

“Ok, we’re done, thanks Mike,” says John.

John then starts to break down his camera and turns to Mike saying, “Mike, thanks for taking the time to talk to me, I really appreciate it.”

Mike then replies, “No problem.”

“I already know Mike Mullins and Glenn Brady were the two officers, I just wanted an official confirmation. By the way, How’s Pattie doin’?”

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Is the Constable job keeping her busy?” asks John.

“Pattie’s great, busy is an understatement. She’s probably wondering what’s going on? I better get going, I’ll talk to you later.”

He turns to Little “Q” and wants to say something to him as Little “Q” points to “peanut” Park as it is called and says,

“I’m just getting my bike so I can go visit with my friend Carl Farone over at the gazebo and to see if he saw something.”

John then grabs his equipment and starts walking towards the 7 News vehicle when he notices Michael DeFranco standing in his door way of his computer shop.

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He stops and asks Mike, “Did you see what happened?”

Mike replies, “Strangely enough, No. I was too busy with 3 computers that have RANSOMWARE and I was trying to access their SHADOW drives to save their stuff and had the TV on. I didn’t hear or see nothing.”

John heads towards the Channel 7 News vehicle.

He opens the trunk and stores his equipment.

After placing his camera bag inside the vehicle, he notices Gregg Pound, the parking enforcement officer for the City of Watertown approaching the vehicle.

“I see there was some excitement here.” says Gregg

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“Can you tell me any thing?” John asks.

“I heard that a call came in saying SHOTS FIRED, but I really don’t know any of the details yet. Mullins is the Lt. today, so you better check with him, but I think he has hands full right now.” Says Gregg

“I saw Mullins earlier and I kinda got that impression.” John says.

He walks towards the driver side door to open it and hears Little “Q” yell, “John, John, John, I gotta tell you somethin’. Carl told me what he saw...You wanna talk to him?”

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“SHIT! I just can’t get away from that kid!”

John says exhaustedly

Little “Q” continues to try to get John’s attention as Gregg looks at John and says, “Go ahead, take off, I’ll try to keep him occupied.”

“Thank you.” replies John.”

John then enters the vehicle as quickly as he can acknowledging with a great full look of relief on his face to Gregg and drives to the Channel 7 News office to file his report avoiding any regrets or undue hesitation and trying very hard to avoid eye contact with....you know who...LITTLE “Q”!



Chapter 2

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*East Hills Apartments
Eastern Boulevard
Watertown, New York*

“Scared & Confused

The Vortex @ Thompson Park

Wednesday, June 6, 2025, 04:56pm

Exhausted and scared, Jimmy Lupo is only thinking that he is almost home.

He has run almost all the way home.

He is exhausted and scared and simply wants to get home.

There is no sign of the car that was chasing him and his friends through Thompson Park.

You see, they were all bored in school today and had decided before they left school that they would “mess” with people on the way home.

One car in particular kept chasing him and his friends in such a way as to appear to want to get them in the car.

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The car chased then all over the park for almost ten minutes.

Jimmy was well aware of the stories of STRANGER DANGER but continued to act with his friends in a not so courteous way as drivers drove by.

While the boys were running through the park, his friend “Turtle” had stumbled and Jimmy stopped to help him get

up on his feet when an explosion suddenly seemed to occur with a blinding light that followed that explosion.

It was like a blinding flash light was shined in his eyes he thought to himself.

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It made him sick and weak which caused him them to fall on the ground.

When he got up, the car and his friends were gone.

Jimmy decided then to run home as fast he could.

Jimmy raced down the hill and ran towards State Street.

Jimmy then cut through the Walgreen's parking lot and crossed Eastern Boulevard and ran behind Northland Plaza so that he could enter the backside of the East Hills apartment complex and get home.

As he enters the complex, something doesn't seem quite right...

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Jimmy notices that the complex has been painted different colors then it was this morning and could not believe they did it so fast.

He arrives at the back door of his apartment and opens the door to go inside.

As Jimmy enters the kitchen, he notices a young 9 or 10 year old girl sitting at the kitchen table typing on a laptop computer.

The girl looks up.

She is stunned for a moment and asks, “Who are you?”

Jimmy responds, “Who are you?”

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The girl then in a loud voice says, “Dad, come in here.”

A tall man in his late 50’s appears from the loving room and sees Jimmy standing there.

Surprised, the man asks, “What’s going on?”

The girl then points her finger at Jimmy who is standing there in the kitchen.

The Man says, “What do you want?”

“Who are you and what are doing in my house?” asks Jimmy

“Hand on a minute son, this is our house. Who the hell are you?” Asks the man

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“Who the hell are you?” asks Jimmy

“I told you, we live here. You need to leave now.”

The man says

“No! You leave!” Responds Jimmy

“I’m calling the cops!” Says the man

“Good”, says Jimmy, “I hope they put your ASS in jail, now get out of my house!”

The young girl then looks at her the man and says, “Daddy, I’m scared.”

The man picks up his phone and dials 911.

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Jimmy then enters the living room and races up the stairs to his bed room.

When he opens the door, he notices that none of his stuff is there. It is all girl stuff he thinks to himself. He turns and leaves the room.

He runs to his parent's room and notices all different furniture in the room.

He continues to look around the upstairs,

He opens up closets to see what is in there; looking for anything familiar.

He hears knocking at the front door downstairs.

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He races down the stairs and towards the front door.

Jimmy notices that the shape through the curtains is that of a police officer and reaches for the handle of the door.

As he approaches the door, the little girl also approaches the door.

Jimmy pushes her out all of the way and opens the door.

These people won't leave my house." yells Jimmy

"Get them all of here!" Jimmy again yells says to the officer.

"Hold on...Tell what's going on." says the officer

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As Jimmy explains his side of the story the man and his daughter in the apartment talk to an officer who appeared at the back door of the apartment.

The officer then tells Jimmy to stay where he is while he confers with the other officer in the back.

A few minutes later, Jimmy notices the man is being handed back a wallet and some papers that look like a

driver's license and the two officers then turn and head towards Jimmy.

One of the officers step behind Jimmy and blocks the door as the other begins to tell Jimmy, "Please put your hands behind your back."

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The officer looks at Jimmy and says, “After consulting with my partner, we are placing you are under arrest for breaking and entering, trespassing, harassment, being a nuisance, and also an outright JERK!” says the officer

Jimmy begins to cry and shouts, “This is my house! I wanna stay here!”

The officer behind Jimmy grabs his hands and places handcuffs on Jimmy.

The officer then grabs Jimmy’s arm and escorts him out of the apartment.

The man in the apartment, is now hugging his daughter and looks at the officer and asks, “What’s gonna happen to him?”

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The officer responds, “He’ll go before a judge and probably get probation.

They’ll assign him a probation officer; he’ll probably get some sort of do-gooder, an advocate assigned to him that will say he is misguided and then get out. If he shows back up, give us a call.”

The officer then heads for his car.

While the man and his daughter watch the police cars leave, a neighbor walks up to the man and asks, “Mike what happened?”

The man responds, “Do I got a story to tell you.”

Chapter 3

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Thompson Park Overlook
Watertown, New York

“The Super Hero”

The Vortex @ Thompson Park

Thursday, December 19 2022, 12 noon

Anthony Lathan grabs his cane firmly slowly stands up from the bench he has been sharing with his wife Sarah on the dock of their Island near Alexandria Bay.

He walks over towards his brother Daniel and asks,
“Are you sure about this?”

“It’s been 4 years, I really can’t do any thing else.”
says Daniel

“OK then.” says Anthony

Anthony steps back and says to Daniel, “Good Luck”.

Daniel has come to the decision that he does not want hide what he is anymore.

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He has realized though, that the decision he has contemplated for years has finally culminated in the conclusion to he must reveal himself along with what he can do and that he also must disguise himself for the protection of those he holds most dear.

This presented a dilemma, since he has argued with his brother for years that people needed to know about him.

The arguments went back and forth.

Some times Daniel won the arguments, but Anthony won most of them.

Finally, one day, Daniel convinced Anthony he was right and enlisted Anthony's wife Sarah to help him.

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Sarah was very proud of the suit she had made Daniel.

Anthony said that it made him look like he was from another planet.

Daniel was all in Black and to reduce friction to his eyes, Sarah had sewn into the head piece a pair of goggles.

Anthony often tried to tease Daniel by saying that it looked like Daniel's eyes so different, people might just think he was a ghost.

Daniel didn't find that funny.

Daniel reaches behind his neck and pulls a mask that is attached to the back of his suit similar to a ski mask forward and then pulls it over his head.

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Daniel then raises his arms upward and then in one smooth movement thrust them downward to his side.

His brother Anthony and sister-in-law watch in pride as Daniel becomes airborne.

As Daniel gets closer to the mainland he notices a couple exiting their car at the North Star Diner.

He recognizes them.

It is Ray Marshall and his wife Lee.

Daniel has gotten to know Ray by his frequent morning trips to a local eatery called North Star Diner at State Route 12 and 26 near in Alexandria Bay.

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Ray is a retired NYS K-9 Trooper who was trained to observe the unusual.

These days he feigns that his vision is not as good as it once was.

As Ray and Lee are walking towards the North Star Diner,
Lee notices the black silhouette of Daniel against the blue
sky and grabs Ray's arm and says as she points to the sky,
"Ray! LOOK!"

Ray looks up and says, "That sure is one big crow."

Lee responds, "That's not a crow...
It's a man...you need new glasses!"

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Ray grabs and holds Lee close to his side and says, “Let’s go get something to eat.”

“But Ray, that’s a man.” says Lee

“I think I will have usual.” says Ray

“Ray!” says Lee excitedly

Ray pulls Lee close to his side while trying not to be so obvious to reveal to Lee that he watching out the corner of his right eye as Daniel continues on.

Daniel begins to laugh as he continues to hear Lee say, “Ray, I know what I saw! That was a man!”

As Daniel leaves the Alex Bay area, more and more cars and individuals are noticing Daniel in the air.

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This is what he thought he wanted; exposure.

Lights seem to be flashing as people are using cameras and their cell phones to record what is happening.

Daniel has been heading towards Watertown above Rte. 81 for the past 20 minutes now.

Many have spotted him, so Daniel now believes he was right about doing this during the daytime.

His argument always was that if enough people saw him, there could be no denying him and the idea of hallucination or mass hypnosis would be put to bed.

He finally reaches exit 45 and lifts his left arm from side to above his head. He gradually veers to left and heads up Arsenal Street.

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He is now heading up Arsenal Street flying over St. Patrick's Church heading towards the Public Square.

It has taken four years now to perfect the way he wanted his movement in the air. He described to his brother as being in swimming pool.

Every movement is slow and methodical. Smooth strokes to achieve your objective.

Flight is like swimming he would tell his brother.

He has arrived at Arcade Street.

Channel 7 news is located in the middle of the street.

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He gradually lifts his arms up from his sides and he descends in front of Channel 7

Dave and Robyn Bartlett are unloading supplies from their van into a window of their restaurant, Johnny D's.

He begins to hover in front of the station.

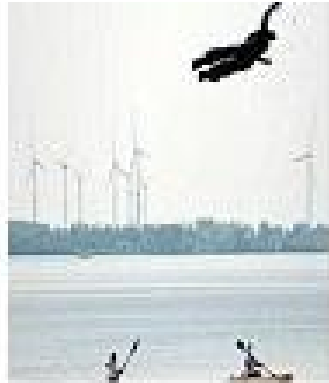
Robyn hits Dave in the left arm and yells, "LOOK!"

A man in the control room finally notices that Daniel is hovering in front of the station and picks up a phone, dials it and begins talking.

Daniel whispers to himself, "Here we Go..."

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*****Photos*****



This picture was taken by Steve Chiappone while driving home from a meeting at his job at Cape Vincent Correctional Facility with his cell phone.

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*****Photos*****

The picture below was taken by Mel Busler of 7 NEWS while covering a fishing event in Watertown at about 12:15.



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This picture was taken by Mitch Peebles of Adams traveling on Rte. 81 from Alexandria Bay on his way to a service call at 12:10 with his cell phone.

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*The picture below was sent in by
Terrance Jackson while driving
on Coffeen St. heading towards
Public Square at approximately
12:20pm/*



Chapter 4

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Fort Drum, New York

“The Major”

The Vortex @ Thompson Park

Friday, June 6, 2025, 13:45 hours

United States Army Major Jack Donohue, the main point of contact for The Paranormal Defense Agency, is standing in the waiting room of his office at Fort Drum, New York waiting for his assistant to finish a phone call.

The Paranormal Defense Agency is a top secret off the records black ops agency of the United States Department of Defense that deals with paranormal phenomenon and supernatural beings.

The PDA (as it often is referred to), was founded in 1977 by then President Jimmy Carter.

The Paranormal Defense Agency's origins date back to the very formation of our nation in 1789.

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In the early days of the United States some secret supernatural societies were transformed secretively into Federal agencies.

As the government grew, so did the number of agencies that dealt with the many paranormal threats against the American people and the government in general.

By the 20th century the government was no longer as transparent, and such secretive agencies would be allowed to grow much more than any one would suspect.

Secrecy was essential to prevent mass panic in regards to the findings that may be discovered.

“JD”, as the Major likes to be called, got assigned this billet after an encounter with a remote viewer who assisted him on one of his Special Access operations.

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“JD’s” attention is redirected after hearing a greeting by Capt. Anthony Lacko, the adjutant to General Rudy Daniels of the National Security Council.

“JD, how you doin’?” asks Capt. Lacko

“Fine, Tony, give me a minute,” Says “JD”.

“JD” looks at his assistant Kimber and gestures that he and Capt. Lacko are going in to his office.

As the door to the Major’s office closes Capt. Lacko says, “This is quite a situation you got here “JD”.”

“Yeah, it’s a cluster F%\$k alright,” says “JD”.

“The same guy is at two different ages. How come you get all the interesting cases?” says Capt. Lacko.

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“Luck of the draw,” responds “JD”.

Just then a small knock is heard on the door and Major Donohue’s assistant, Kimber Law enters the room.

“Tony, have you met my assistant Kmber Hall?” asks “JD”.

“I haven’t had the pleasure,” Says Capt. Lacko as he extends his arm to shake Kimber’s hand.

“Here are the documents you requested sir. And, Dr. Lupo stated he would leave Trumansburg by 07:00 and could be here by 09:00 tomorrow.

He thinks he’s being interviewed for a job he just applied for and was amazed how fast we got back to him. I went along with it sir.” says Kimber.

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“Great, I can work with that. Thanks Kimber” “JD” says as Kimber leaves the room,

“She seems very competent,” says Capt. Lacko.

The major lowers his head and says “Really, take a look at the date on this report,” responds “JD”.

“It says June 8, 2025,” says Capt. Lacko.

“Today is the 6th,” says “JD”.

“Oh yeah,” responds Capt. Lacko.

“She is always off by two days when she gives me something, I just don’t bother tell her anymore because when I do, she says she does it on purpose to see if I actually read the stuff she gives me.

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I just correct it myself,” says “JD”.

“JD” then picks up another set of papers and says, “See, she has got the date on this stuff I am going to give Lupo on Saturday as the 9th when it really is the 7th.”

“I guess you got your hands full with that one “JD”,”
Says Capt. Lacko.

“Sure do,” “JD” replies.

As both of them continue to look over documents, “JD” looks at Capt. Lacko and says, “It finally caught with me.”

“What?” says Capt. Lacko.

“Some thing that has bothered me for almost 10 years,”
says “JD”.

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“What’s that?” asks Capt. Lacko.

“About ten years ago, I did something I regret. The last time I saw an old friend, I got angry at him. I never got an opportunity to apologize. I was angry. I was impatient. All I cared about was to get back to WestPoint.

I had known him for years. I worked for his family. I blew it. Now, maybe now, I can do something about that. Maybe I can prove he was telling me the truth and maybe I can prove he wasn’t just a foolish old man after all,” says “JD”

“Tell me... What? You got my attention!” asks Capt. Lacko

“JD” looks Capt. Lacko straight into his eyes and says one word... “Atone.”

Chapter 5

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“The Congressional Hearing”

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I just finished my testimony in front of the Congressional sub-committee on contagious and transmittable diseases.

It has been widely known that the mystery virus known as H9N9 is directly linked to GUARDIAN.

I was served a subpoena to testify before the committee because of my , experience with both the virus and the consequential dealings with GUARDIAN in the Syracuse office.

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An idea was formulated by Dr. Ann Fons of the Syracuse office to use GUARDIAN's DNA to attack the strain and build immunity in the host.

Upon retrieving DNA samples from GUARDIAN, it was determined that the pathogen was familiar. Further tests proved that the origin was in fact GUARDIAN.

My testimony lasted two days.

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Several members of Congress tried to hijack the hearings and seemed to want to play party politics.

Matt Doheny, who had been appointed by New York State Governor Rudy Giuliani in 2024, managed to streamline the hearing.

A little side note: Mr. Doheney replaced the previous Congress Person when it was made public that the previous Representative had been involved in a sex scandal with an Intern and was given a chance to either resign or be impeached.

The Representative chose to resign.

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Arguments went back and forth whether or not the results were conclusive; however, different proposals were given on how to deal with the situation.

One proposal was to ban GUARDIAN from dealing with the public. That was not feasible since the damage was already done by the introduction and the already wide spread exposure to the virus.

The second was to limit exposure by having GUARDIAN wear a hazmat uniform.

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That idea wasn't feasible since it could get damaged during his exploits.

Finally the idea came up to find GUARDIAN's weakness in an effort to see what would or could weaken him therefore, finding a cure that could weaken, stabilize or destroy this pathogen.

It was suggested that the only way that the Government, in order to avoid any criticism and legal questions

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(in that order), was to enact the WAR POWERS ACT and
declare GUARDIAN *an enemy of the state*.

My findings showed that GUARDIAN was in fact
Patient Zero.

There has never been any thing like this pathogen on this
planet before.

It is my hope that a cure could be found before a final
decision is made to declare WAR on GUARDIAN,

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since we really don't know the consequences or how he himself will react.

After that, a vigorous debate the session was adjourned for consideration.

A decision is expected some time in May of this year and will be enacted within 30 days of that decision.

Special note of interest

On October 1, 2016 an article appeared on a local website linked to a story at WHEC in Rochester, N.Y. where Rachel Spotts (who did a news report for 7 news on the Vortex and was the prologue for this book series) currently works.

<http://www.whec.com/news/rise-of-local-super-bug-ases/4278099/?cat=565>

DOCTORS SEEING MORE CASES OF SUPER “BUGS”



Doctors say this super bug appears to be resistant to even the most powerful antibiotics.

Doctors believe many people are becoming sick because too many people overuse and sometimes even abuse antibiotics including items like hand sanitizer.

Providers are now being told to cut back on those types of prescriptions. With cases of super bugs on the rise in our area... doctors say everyone should take care to wash your hands often and try to avoid touching your hands to your face.

If you start to have symptoms like coughing, fever, headaches or muscle pain you should call your doctor right away. For more information about antibiotics and drug resistant bacteria, visit the Centers for Disease Control's website. (<http://www.cdc.gov>)

Chapter 6

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Degel Israel Synagogue
557 Thompson Blvd,
Watertown, NY

“The Confrontation”

The Vortex @ Thompson Park

Wednesday, November 16, 2017, 3:15 PM

David Roth, whose nickname is “DOC”, because of his initials, is sitting in a limousine with a young man he calls Yusef.

They have just arrived at the parking lot of the Degel Israel Synagogue on Thompson Boulevard.

Mr. Roth has been recalling some events in history that he was actually involved in and was regretful for the outcomes...

“I have been trying to atone for my sins for almost 90 years Yusef. I just wanted to stop it.

That is why we went to the park,” says Doc.

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Doc takes a deep breath and says, “Everything I did after that BASTARD died was an effort to atone. I didn’t even think someone else would rise to power in Germany.

You see Hister was a career Colonel and Hitler was just a con man and couldn’t get any higher in rank than a corporal.

He conned everyone in Germany and you know what the result was,” DOC explained

“So, you are saying you caused the Holocaust?” Yusef asks loudly.

“Yes, every bit as much as that DEVIL Hitler... Good, we’re here. Now I can have some peace,” Says Doc.

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“How?” asks Yusef.

Doc then replies, “We are here so I can turn myself in and surrender.”

Stunned, Yusef opens his door to exit the vehicle.

Upon exiting, Yusef is met by man named Kevin Roth who is wearing a red baseball hat and wearing an apron that says, “The World’s greatest Jewish Barbecue Griller!”

He greets Yusef saying, “How did your visit go?”

He’s gone now!” says Yusef.

“What do you mean?” asks Kevin

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“Does he have any thing like Alzheimer’s or something?
He’s saying some nutty stuff today.” Yusef says

“Just his age...Sometimes he confuses some things,”
says Kevin.

“No, he was pretty serious and almost had me convinced of
some of the stuff.” responds Yusef

“And another thing...WHY does he keep calling my
Yusef?’ he asks

“Take it easy Jack, He’s an old man, you know that,”
says Kevin.

“Why does he call me that?” asks Jack

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“You remind him of my brother,” Kevin responds

“The one that was over in Iraq?” asks Jack

“Yes,” responds Kevin, “Why don’t you grab something to eat before you head off...I’ll go talk to him. Tell him you’re upset. I’ll take of it.”

Jack nods his head, turns and walks over to the party that is going on for his send off back to WestPoint.

Kevin opens the door and greets his father with a smile and asks, “Pop, what did you do now?”

“I just followed instructions,” says Doc

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“From who?” Kevin asks

“I got a visit,” responds Doc

“From who?” Kevin again asks

Doc looks at Kevin straight into his eyes and in one deep breath says, “A guy came up to me. He seemed to know things.”

“What do you mean?” asks Kevin

“He called me Mr. Marzano,.” says Doc

Astonished, Kevin pauses and asks, “What else?”

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“He says he grew up on the flats and new my Father,”
says Doc

“He knew Lance?” asks Kevin

“Yeah, he said he knew them all, my father, his mother, her father. He said my great-grandfather Henry sometimes picked him up at lunch time and gave him a ride from St. Anthony’s to his house so he could have lunch at home. He knew a lot of stuff,” says Doc

“What did he tell you to do?” asks Kevin

He said I had to talk to Yusef.” replies Doc

“But Pop, You know...” Kevin starts and then is interrupted by Doc.

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“I know, Yusef is gone. But, this guy was so friendly, so calming and so familiar. He put me at ease,” says Doc

“What was his name?” asks Kevin

“Defalco, Demarco, Hell I can’t remember. All I know is that he made feel like I could talk about it,” replies Doc

“How?” asks Kevin

Doc answers, “He started out by saying, MR. MARZANO, DO I HAVE A STORY TO TELL YOU.”

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Michael DeFranco	Gregg Pound
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Reviews from those who have previewed volume 3

A very enlightening volume 3 of a 4 book series that captures the imagination of the young and old.

Mike Walrath, EA, Walrath Tax Service, LLC., Brownville, New York

As a soldier stationed at Fort Drum, I am stationed near Watertown for a short time. I have been here for a year now, but in that amount of time I did not get to know Watertown as much as I did by reading "The Vortex @ Thompson Park". After reading the book, I feel that I am much more aware of the area that I call "Home" for now. Great Book. Thank You, Mr. DeFranco.

Baugh, David A, SGT, Master Driver, 110 CTC, 548th CSSB, Fort Drum NY

I love how these books are by a local author and about my hometown! With each book you get just a little bit more information but yet it still leaves you at the edge of your seat waiting for the next one!

Ellen Majo, "The Rite-Aid Lady", Watertown, New York

Well imagined and rife with interesting concepts.

A story that should appeal to a wide audience.

Shawn Casey, Northern New York Paranormal, Watertown, New York

<http://www.nnyparanormal.com>

I have enjoyed the first 3 books.

They all have had some humor mixed in with realistic details.

A good read for anyone familiar with the Watertown area.

Joseph T. Johnson, Watertown, New York

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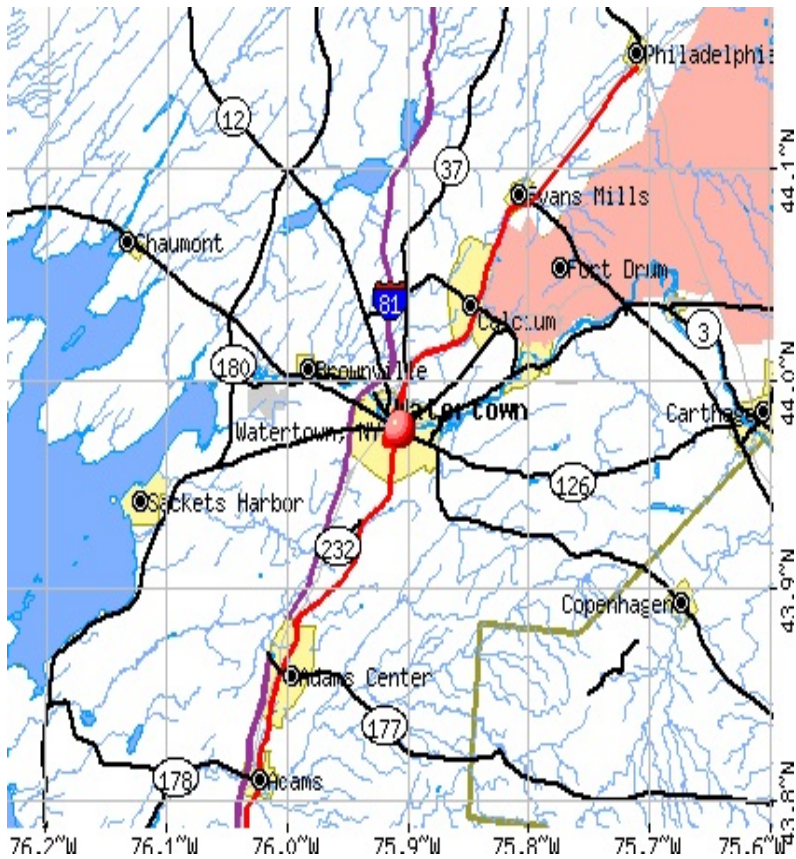
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Chapter 1

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“Urban Legends”

The Vortex @ Thompson Park

November 15, 2019, 5:10 PM

As the theme music for his talk show is winding down, Glenn Curry is directing his guest to sit in the chair to Glenn's right and positions the microphone for the next broadcast.

"Make sure you speak directly into the microphone"

Glenn tells his guest

"For those of you who are visiting or driving through Watertown, we are a local talk show on during this hour. Thanks for tuning into the show.

I'm your so-called-host, Glenn Curry."

Glenn says over the theme song.

After taking a deep breath, Glenn continues. "We have an interesting show today...we have two topics and two different guests on today's show.

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So, with that said, our first topic is about urban legends surrounding the Watertown area and that is why our first guest is here today.

He is the webmaster of a local website that is dedicated to just that sort of thing around Watertown called; NNYPARANORMAL.COM and he's here in the studio with us today now and his name is Shawn.

Boy, was a mouthful, did I say all that right Shawn?" asks Glenn.

"You sure did," responds Shawn.

"No last name?" asks Glenn.

"For the protection of myself, my family, and others involved on the site; we do not disclose our full names. For privacy and protection reasons," says Shawn.

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“OK, I guess I can understand that. Tell me a little bit about your site,” says Glenn.

“In an attempt to explain strange happenings in the Watertown area, we started the site so people could share and write about incidents that they have personally encountered.

We focus on a variety of things, but mostly focus on Thompson Park,” Says Shawn.

Glenn responds, “Tell me more...”

“Thompson Park has been home to all sorts of paranormal events.

There have been reports of “odd sensations” near one particular hill, along with alleged sightings of apparitions along with unexplained noises.

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Recently, sightings of Bigfoot and UFO encounters have joined the strange list of anomalous activity in the area.

Thompson Park is best known for its so-called vortex, a portal or space-time disturbance that exists between the park's zoo and golf course in a wooded area.

This area is where many people have supposedly vanished, often to return in an entirely different location. In fact, people have apparently vanished and claimed to have traveled through time and into other dimensions. Some say, that others have never returned at all!

A local white witch, claims to have used her otherworldly connections to move the vortex away from the golf course, and sincerely believes that the Vortex is a focal point and it is where different realities and timelines converge,” says Shawn.

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“Interesting,” responds Glenn.

“Tell me Shawn, have you ever seen anything strange up there?” asks Glenn.

“Well, about two years ago...” Shawn starts to say.

“That sounds like a provocative beginning to something mysterious, by the way, isn’t that around the time when the Incident on Public Square happened” says Glenn”

“Exactly,” responds Shawn.

“Really, what did you see?”

Glenn says surprisingly

“I was up at the park having lunch with a friend, and I saw 4 boys running down a trail.

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All of a sudden, a big bang happened along with a flash of light and a cloud of dust appeared.” says Shawn

“WOW!” says Glenn excitedly,

““Any idea of what it was?” continues Glenn

“I looked around to see what happened and attempted to ask others if they saw what happened.” Says Shawn

“WOW! “What did they say?”

Asks Glenn excitedly.”

“No one else seemed to see any thing at all.”

Shawn says

“Wow...now that sounds spooky...

Hey, It looks like we got our first caller...

And we do...

It’s The Duffman,” says Glenn.

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“Hi Glenn, I’d like to enter the Vortex, because of that damn arena project.

It has been the biggest blunder this City has ever done, and to this day the place still has major problems with the roof and the showers.

If I could only go back in time through the vortex and put a stop to it before it was done, I could save the taxpayers millions. Wouldn’t that be awesome?!”

Duff suggests excitedly.

“Sure would...Duff,” says Glenn.

“Hang on a minute Duffman...”

“I got a text from Little “Q” Glenn says

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He begins to read the text and says, "I'm not gonna read this...yeah, yeah, alright I guess I will. Little "Q" wants me to remind every body that as of tomorrow, the Incident on Public Square happened two year ago."

"A little obvious," responds Shawn.

"Hey, that gives me an idea," responds Glenn. "

"We have been trying to explain the meaning of the nickname Little "Q" since EXTROVERT gave it to him a few years back.

Let's give him a new name," says Glenn.

"What's that?" asks Shawn.

"How 'bout...MR. OBVIOUS!" says Glenn.

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Both Glenn and Shawn begin to laugh as the telephone lines once again begin to light up.

Glenn reaches for a button on the console in front of him and then says, “Thanks for calling DUFF” as he ends the call and prepares to take another call.

“We got another caller...” he says as he pauses.

“It’s Crazy Ray, whose prices are insane!” says Glenn.

“How’s it going?” Crazy Ray asks

“You got a question for our guest Ray?” asks Glenn.

“I don’t know if I BUY ALL THIS! It doesn’t seem like it could be real,” Crazy Ray admits.

“What’s your question?” asks Glenn.

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“Where’s the proof? I’ll listen off the air,” says Ray.

“We have a skeptic,” says Glenn.

“Well, we have the testimony of those who saw things happen up there,” says Shawn.

“We have another caller...Danny Francis....”
says Glenn.

“Glenn, I have to take issue with what you are talking about. Darn it Glenn, you got my hackles up! You’re always trying to spread this gossip and innuendo as truth. Damn, you always do this Glenn. You should know better than that. Why is it that you always have to spread this crap!!!

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“Danny, Danny, Hold on! We are just informing people that strange things are being reported and then you can make the decision if they are real or not,” says Glenn.

“You shouldn’t be spouting this crap as fact Glenn!

That’s all I have to say,” Danny says.

The console in front of Glenn lights up and indicates a call coming in.

“Danny, I got another call,” Glenn says.

“Fine! I gotta go anyways,” responds Danny.

As Glenn then attempts to answer the call, a series of telephone tones are heard to be dialed.

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Glenn then looks at Shawn and says “That’s just our hang up caller Shawn.”

“He must be calling from the Vortex.” says Shawn in a condescending way.

“Well, on that note...Shawn it was a pleasure to meet you...

I want to encourage everyone to take the time and to visit the website: NNYPARANORMAL.COM...

Shawn does a great job of keeping it up

When we return, S.G. will be joining us to explain his plans to talk to City Council for the 10,000th time about a dog park up at Thompson Park...Just kidding S.G.,

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I know it has only been 9,999 times that you have spoken to them,” says Glenn.

Both Glenn and Shawn briefly laugh as Glenn announces...

We’ll be back with S.G. after showcasing words from our sponsors.”

Chapter 2

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Fort Drum, New York

“The GENERAL is here...”

The Vortex @ Thompson Park

Saturday, June 7, 2025, 08:25 hours

Walking down the hallway with her morning breakfast partner Zoey Mangan, Kimber Law reaches in her purse for her keys to open the office door to the Paranormal Defense Agency located on Fort Drum.

As she places the key in the door to unlock it, Kimber turns to her friend Zoey and asks, “11:45 for lunch?”

Zoey nods her head and responds, “Every thing should be over by then.”

Kimber opens the door as Zoey walks down the hallway and says to Zoey, “See you then...”

Zoey raises her right arm in the air and responds, “OK Fine!”

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Kimber enters the office and finds her Supervisor Major, Jack Donohue already waiting for her.

“Hey Boss...Why was the door locked?” Kimber asks.

“I wanted to look over the reports so far and didn’t want to be interrupted,” says the Major.

“Oh, OK,” responds Kimber.

“You know Kimber, You got the dates wrong again. How can you be so proficient in every thing else, but constantly get the dates wrong on my reports? You might want to look into getting your eyes examined. You might need glasses,” Says Major Donohue.

“I’ll look into that.” Kimber replies.

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Kimber then removes her coat and hangs it on the hook of the coat rack.

She moves towards her desk to sit down.

“I gotta go to Human Resources to get clearances for both Lupos and that lady that is bringing the kid from the probation department, what’s her name...Feister?”

Major Donohue asks

“Keister, Makayla Keister,” responds Kimber.

“Any one else?” asks Major Donohue.

“Yeah, that lady from that Youth advocate place...

Rin Smith,” says Kimber.

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“Who’s she again?” asks the Major.

“She’s like the kid’s court appointed baby sitter,”
Kimber replies sarcastically.

“Now that’s funny. A 14 year old needing a baby sitter,”
says the Major.

“Well, it wasn’t really explained it that way, Ms. Keister actually explained it this way to me, that Rin was more like a mentor, a “big Sister” or simply someone to make sure the younger Lupo doesn’t get in any more trouble,” Kimber says.

“Well then, I better get down to H.R.,” says the Major.

“Hurry back. General Daniels is due any minute.

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The women will be here by 9 and Dr. Lupo said be here shortly after 9,” Says Kimber.

“Call me if there are any changes,” the Major adds

Kimber nods her yes and proceeds to sit at her desk as the Major leaves.

The phone begins to ring...

Kimber answers, “Hello?”

“This is Sgt. Lopez from the transportation department. We got a Ms. Keister and two passengers claiming to have an appointment with Major Donohue, but they ARE NOT ON THE LIST,” Sgt Lopez says.

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“They are early. Go ahead and send them through. I’ll meet them at the front door,” Kimber responds.

Kimber begins to stand as the door opens.

Kimber recognizes him as General Raul Daniels, Advisor to President Pence on scientific and paranormal activities.

“General! I extend my very deepest apologies. Major Donohue is not here. He will be right back. He’s over at H.R. getting things ready for Dr. Lupo. I was on my way to meet the two ladies bringing in the boy,” Says Kimber.

“Quite a situation we got here huh Kimber. It’s going to be a busy day. Go ahead. I’ll wait here for Jack. By the way...Are you still messing with him by putting the wrong date on reports?” says General Daniels.

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“General...I’m trying to get it right,” says Kimber.

The General looks at his assistant with a smile and says, “She told me that it was so she made sure I read the reports,” says General Daniels.

His assistant replies, “Did you buy that Sir?”

The General looks at Kimber and says, “Hell no! But, I went along with it.”

Kimber smiles and then puts her head down as she leaves the office. While walking down the hallway Kimber spots Major Donohue walking towards her.

“What’s up?” says Major Donohue.

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“Major, I was just going to call you...The General is here,” says Kimber.

“In the office?” asks Major Donohue.

“Yes,” Kimber responds.

“Where are you going?” asks Major Donohue.

“I’m on my way to the front door to get the ladies and the boy,” Kimber responds.

“Ok, put them in the conference room and turn on the television for them and then head back to the office,” orders Major Donohue.

Kimber nods her head and says, “Alright.”

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Kimber greets the two women and exchanges pleasantries when she hears young Jimmy Lupo ask, “What are we doing here? I just wanna go home!”

She closes the conference room door.

Walking down the hallway, Kimber notices the door of the P.D.A. office is closing. Kimber then decides to pick up her pace back to the office.

While Kimber is approaching the office, she notices a man appearing to be in his late 50’s in a dark suit walking towards her.

“Kimber Law?” the man asks.

“Yes,” Kimber responds.

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Can I have a few minutes of your time?” the man asks.

“I’m in a hurry. I’ve got to get back to work. Can you come back in ten minutes?” Kimber says.

“Sure. See ya then,” the man says.

Kimber arrives at the office and opens the door, she notices a man standing and staring at the clock. The man turns in an abrupt fashion as he hears Kimber enter the room.

Kimber, trying not to act surprised, greets the man while holding her head in a downward manner so as to avoid eye contact with the man.

“I’m James Lupo. I have an appointment with a Major Donohue,” James says.

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“Go ahead and have a seat. The Major will be just a few more minutes,” Kimber says.

Kimber is so exhausted that she can’t raise her head and is thinking to her self that she might look as though she doesn’t want to talk to Dr. Lupo.

Kimber tries to compose herself and just then the door to the Major’s office opens.

General Daniels appears and is overheard saying,
“We’ll be in touch.”

Major Donohue appears in the doorway and looks directly at Kimber and then Dr. Lupo.

“Lupo?” Major Donohue asks

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James nods head and says, “Yes.”

“Come in,” he says.

As the two men enter the Major’s office, the main door opens and the man who Kimber met about ten minutes ago appears.

“Is this a good time?” the man asks.

“How can I help?” responds Kimber

“Well if you have maybe a few minutes...” the man says.

“Go ahead.” Kimber says.

The man looks Kimber and says dramatically,

“Do I got a story to tell you...”

Chapter 3

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“INFORMNNY.COM”

-A Halloween story-

Thursday October 26, 2023

This year's most popular Halloween costume for kids is...

THE GUARDIAN!

Alex Hazard

Alexhazard@informnny.com

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Sales this year at costumes shops have soared to new heights due in a large part to the northeast's very own SUPERHERO-The Guardian!

Guardian made his first public appearance shortly under a year ago when he was interviewed by Brian Ashley who was formerly one of the News Anchors of 7 NEWS.

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October 26, 2023

Brian who has been the executive director of the Fort Drum Regional Liaison Organization for the past 7 years was visiting his old haunts as you would say when Guardian first arrived in front of the TV station.

Brian was asked, due to his exceptional ability to ask probing questions to interview the person hovering in front of the station.

The news broadcast seemed eerily familiar as Scott Atkinson, the news director went so far as to list Brian as an anchor of the evening news along side veteran news reporter, John Moore.

Almost immediately after the broadcast, the Guardian started to make rescues all around Jefferson County.

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Any thing from rescuing animals involved in barn fires, assisting fire crews in battling home fires and rescuing the inhabitants, and even freeing an oil freighter that became stuck to a reef and sealed the hull preventing a major environmental incident.

A variety of cities were prepared to offer Guardian the key to their city, unfortunately his shyness and extreme tendency to simply shrug off his feats have prevented all the awards from taking place.

Kids ranging from toddlers to teens have requested costume shops for the simple black outfit worn by Guardian.

A shortage of the costume has arisen due to the hero's extreme popularity among residents of the Northeast.

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“The shortage will be rectified very soon,” said Lorrie McFarland, owner of Party Rentals at 730 W. Main St. in Watertown.

“We are confident that we should be able to fulfill any and all requests by Halloween,” McFarland repeated.

ABC50 sent an INFORMNNY reporter to the Watertown Ice Arena to ask why the children wanted to dress up like Guardian this year and here are some of the responses:

Here are some of the responses

- **8 year old John Mancini said,**

*”Guardian is cool....He saves people...
I wanna be Guardian when I grow up!”*

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- **10 year old David Melara said,**
“Guardian can fly man...that’s awesome.”
- **12 year old Jake Carbone said,**
*”Girls like the Guardian.
I like girls.
Any thing else you wanna know.”*
- **10 year old Jerry Leone said,**
”I just wanna dress in black and scare my sister when she comes down the stairs”
- **9 year old Terri Lynn Fox said,**
”Girls can be Guardian too...!”

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There will be a parade on Saturday October 28 around Public Square in honor of the Guardian.

ABC50 will be covering the event and all children are invited to attend and dress as Guardian.

The event begins at 09:00am

Chapter 4

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The
Computer Doctors
Watertown, New York
“The Phone Call”

Friday, February 19, 201, 09:30am

As Michael DeFranco is sitting in his chair at his Computer repair business, The Computer Doctors in Public Square, he is pondering if he is doing the right thing and what people might think of his idea of writing a book.

The first person he talked to about it was his friend Brian Ashley at TV7.

Brian's initial reaction was to nervously laugh and comment, "I can't see you writing science Fiction..."

Brian later supported Michael by fulfilling a request Michael had made to him.

Michael asked Brian, "If someone was hovering in front of 7NEWS, what would you ask him? Can I get maybe 12 or 15 questions from you?"

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February 19, 2016

Brian not only thought about it, but wrote a story placing himself as the reporter. Brian put his reputation and skills on the line to help Michael with his dream of writing the book.

He wanted to write a book he had explained to Brian, that involved real people in a sci-fi- book.

He did not explain why he wanted to do it nor did he say why he was in a hurry to do so.

Michael had some problems with his vision. He went to see an eye doctor. The Doctor had told him based on her long experience that he was diabetic. Michael was referred to a Retinal Doctor.

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February 19, 2016

It was determined to begin eye injections as a treatment for his condition which were very painful since no anesthetic would work for him.

Michael would see several other doctors, one of which told him that his upcoming birthday would be his last.

Michael had decided to write about an urban legend about the area, The Vortex at Thompson Park.

Michael remembered a local news story about it and the local White Witch who was an expert on the subject. Her name was Gayle Steele.

Michael had gotten her phone number from directory assistance and had decided to talk to her. He placed a phone call to her and waiting as the phone rings...

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The phone stops ringing and a voice is heard to say,
“Hello...”

“Hi, may I speak to Gayle Steele,” asks Michael.

The woman responds, “How can I help you?”

“I am looking for the Gayle Steele that was interviewed by
7 News about the Vortex at Thompson Park”
says Michael

“Yes...” Gayle responds in a frustrated way.

“My name is Michael DeFranco and I am writing a book on
the Vortex and was hoping I could talk to you about it,”
says Michael.

“What do you want from me?” Gayle asks sternly.

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February 19, 2016

“As I said, I wanted to introduce myself and to let you know about it. I plan to use the interview you did on TV7 as a prologue since it is in the public domain,” says Michael.

“Well, I don’t want to be involved,” Says Gayle.

“That’s fine. I just didn’t want you to get caught off guard when you hear about the book. It’s gonna be written as a sci-fi book. Something happens in the book that amplifies the Vortex, so I can keep people interested enough to keep reading it. It is also gonna involve real people in the story mixed with fictional stories for a sense a realism,” says Michael.

“Well, I don’t want to be involved if it’s made up then,” says Gayle.

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Michael replies quickly, “I am going to ask the readers to decide if the book is fact, fiction, or speculation and let then let the reader decide.”

“That sounds interesting but no thanks. You can do what you want, just leave me out of it. I don’t want to be a part of it,” Says Gayle.

“OK, I just wanted you to know about it and to see if maybe you might want to write a forward or a letter at the end to share your thoughts,” says Michael.

“I’ll think about it,” says Gayle.

“That’s all I wanted to ask,” says Michael.

“OK, Good luck with your Book,” Gayle replies.

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“Thank you,” says Michael.

As he hangs up the phone, Michael stares at a light on his work desk and with a sigh of relief places his head on the desk and says to himself,

“That’s done...Now, Do I gotta a story to tell...

Chapter 5

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“My Last CDC Report”



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**CDC Audio Report, Case # 239-63-5793 NY,
Carol Mancici, Investigator, Atlanta,
Saturday, June 7, 2025 10:30 hours**

Due to the fact that yesterday, I was offered and then subsequently accepted a position at the Fort Drum branch of the Paranormal Defense Agency; this will be my last report on the pathogen known as H9N9 for the CDC.

Hopefully, the conclusion and possible treatment lies in the outcome of today's scheduled events.

Nine months ago, the Congress of the United States, concluded hearings on the Guardian's ties to the H9N9 virus.

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It was decided that the U.S. government would sanction the murder of the first ever superhero called Guardian.

Guardian has saved many lives. His abilities have been an asset to the police, fire and rescue departments all over the northeast.

The exploits of Guardian have inspired youth to serve in a variety of ways for the betterment of mankind

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Now today, I am here to watch his possible demise in an effort to obliterate him and the pathogen that was linked through no fault of his own to him.

My investigation and subsequent testimony at the Congressional sub-committee led to the decision and the situation I find myself in today.

I seem to be suffering from a condition similar to that of survivor's guilt. I can't stop blaming myself for the

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Guardian has agreed to appear here at Fort Drum to be assassinated by people that he has served and protected in an effort to find a cure for the virus he is responsible for.

Within the next half hour, a variety of bombs and missiles will be hurled at Guardian in an effort to kill him. He willingly has agreed to this in an effort to find a cure.

I argued against the decision of Congress to no avail. There are many other ways to determine treatments besides murder.

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My arguments seemed to fall on deaf ears until General Daniels of the Paranormal Defense Agency made me an offer I could not refuse.

He offered me a position where my sole duties will be to continue my research for alternatives in regards to H9N9.

I was told by a friend who is a clinical psychologist that the country needs closure.



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I have known for a long time now, that closure is simply another way to say REVENGE!

I also was told that a childhood friend is here today. His name is Jimmy Lupo. It is my understanding that he got his P.H.D in deviant psychology from Cornell. Maybe he can explain this need by the general public at large to this action against Gardin.

I'll find Jimmy after I finish this report.



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A little side note...

There is a man waiting to talk to me. I informed him that I needed to finish this recording this morning so I could transcribe it later.

He seems very familiar...I just can't place it.

He said something that has been bugging me; in my mind for the last 15 minutes. I can't stop thinking about it. He is so familiar....

After he said my name and asked if he could have a few minutes of my time, he said.

"Ms. Mancini, Do I got a story to tell you...."

Disclaimer

*****Special Note of interest*****

The previous reports are supposed to be photographs of PDF files from a USA government agency.

The agent making the recording and report is purely fictional as are the reports as represented by the date of the report.

No such agent or files actually exist.

(As far as this author Knows?)

Chapter 6

The Vortex @ Thompson Park

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The
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No Temporal point assigned

The mist in the forest is strong.

One can barely see a few inches in front of them.

As the mist dissipates, weird colors appear along a trail.

A young voice is heard asking...

“Grandpa, was all of that real?”

“Well, youngling, you asked me to tell you a story, did you not?” responds the Grandpa.

“But Grandpa, so many things happened, it was a little confusing. Some of your stories seemed to go together and make sense but others seemed to be all over the place. They went forward and backward and forward and backward, and other times it seemed that they were being told backwards even after you told just one part,” said the youngling.

No Temporal point assigned

“You are still thinking like a corporeal being. You need to let your grasp of that go...” says Grandpa.

“Explain Grandpa,” says the youngling.

“Right now, we are in a non- corporeal existence. You were in a corporeal existence. Corporeal beings do not have the ability to comprehend nor can they understand our way of existence and of being. They see all in a single directional nature along with which they measure their awareness of their surroundings; they call it TIME,” says Grandpa.

The youngling seems to be confused and asks,

“What is that?”

“It is the existence in which we are placed before we transform and come back here,” says Grandpa.

No Temporal point assigned

“Was I there?” asks the youngling.

“Oh yes, we all have to experience that realm just as The FIRST ONE has laid it out,” says Grandpa.

“The FIRST ONE?” asks the youngling.

“He always has been and always will be. He is all that is and all that will be,” says Grandpa.

“You mean GOD!” says the youngling.

“He has been called that by corporeal beings, because their minds in the physical realm can not understand or comprehend his existence either.

The corporeal beings only know that he exists and they have faith that he does,” Grandpa says.

No Temporal point assigned

“I think I do remember that time,” says the youngling.

“Oh, you do...that is why you call me Grandpa and talk to me in this verbal form. That is why we are walking down this trail in this park that is familiar to you. Time is a corporeal concept youngling, treasure that existence, but you must move on,” says Grandpa.

“Are you saying that you are not my Grandpa?”
asks the youngling tearfully.

”I am your guide, a muse, a spirit, or if you wish, an ANGEL,” says Grandpa.

Grandpa then continues, “I am here to make sure you are ready...If you not, you go back.”

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No Temporal point assigned

“I wanna stay here with you Grandpa!” says the youngling who is shaken by his Grandpa’s comment.

“If that is ordained to be at this point...you will,” says Grandpa.

“What is that up ahead of us Grandpa?”
The youngling asks.

“That is the library,” Grandpa replies.

“But it looks like a bunch of bubbles...”
says the youngling.

“To you, I imagine, that is how it would appear right now.

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No Temporal point assigned

This is where all thoughts and actions coexist. It is the database for the Book of life. Corporeal beings call it the *Akashic record*.

You see, their minds contain doubt, so they question the existence of such a place and can not comprehend that it is simply the consciousness of The FIRST ONE.

Go ahead and touch one,” Grandpa says

The youngling reaches out and notices that his hand enters the bubble and it does not pop.

The youngling moves closer to one of the bubbles.

“Touch it with your head.” Says Grandpa

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No Temporal point assigned

The youngling moves forward and looks at the bubble. The youngling creeps ever so slowly towards the bubble and feels a warm sensation on his face as he pierces the bubble.

“Grandpa! It’s like I am watching television!”
says the youngling excitedly!

The youngling watches as he notices a man who is engulfed in a white light appearing to have his hand on another man’s shoulder who is sitting in a chair while typing on a computer.

The glowing man then moves towards the man that is typing and seems to go through him and then appears to sit in the man’s lap disappears.

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No Temporal point assigned

“Grandpa,
Did you see what just happened?”
the youngling says excitedly

“Yes I did, I remember that well...both now and then,”
Grandpa says.

“Grandpa, what’s happening?” asks the youngling.

“Communion,” says Grandpa.

“What is communion Grandpa?” asks the youngling.

“There are occasions when we can occupy parts of the same realm as the corporeal beings. We can become one with them. We can serve as guides as I am doing for you now right now.

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No Temporal point assigned

We can whisper in the being's ear, we can suggest, influence, and perhaps persuade them to go in certain directions, but never force anything upon them. They have free will and must choose their own direction." says Grandpa

"So the glowing man is helping the man at the computer?" asks the youngling.

"He is helping him to remember," says Grandpa.

"Remember?" asks the youngling.

"Yes, he was here for a short period," Says Grandpa

"So he didn't stay?" asks the youngling.

No Temporal point assigned

“Sometimes corporeal beings manage to find their way here but aren’t ready to stay. Sometimes they have return to the corporeal realm and continue to learn until they are ready.

Some may remember but only in a way that their senses can process and only in a context that they understand. They sometimes have to be guided towards explanations of what they experienced,” says Grandpa

“Who is that glowing man and what is he doing Grandpa?” asks the youngling

“Yes, I guess you want to know what you are doing,” says Grandpa.

“Me Grandpa?” asks the youngling.

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No Temporal point assigned

“Yes, that is what we are all doing...

Helping him to help others to prepare for what is to come by telling a story,” says Grandpa

“We Grandpa?” asks the youngling.

“You are him, he is you, I am you. A trinity;; three who are one. We exist to explain, guide, and help for all that is, all that will be, and all that could be.” Says Grandpa

“You are me Grandpa?” asks the youngling.

“Do you see all the bubbles as you call them? Very soon, you will no longer need to communicate in the way we are doing now.

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No Temporal point assigned

You will understand and be able to comprehend all the stories and outcomes all at the same time.

We will be able to communicate and exist as one,”
Grandpa explains

“Will it be soon Grandpa? I can’t wait,”
The youngling says excitedly.

Grandpa then responds, “Soon youngling, and then,
Oh will we have stories to tell...”

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I often wished Peter could have had the chance to read these stories while he was here.

I just have a funny feeling that he already has read them.

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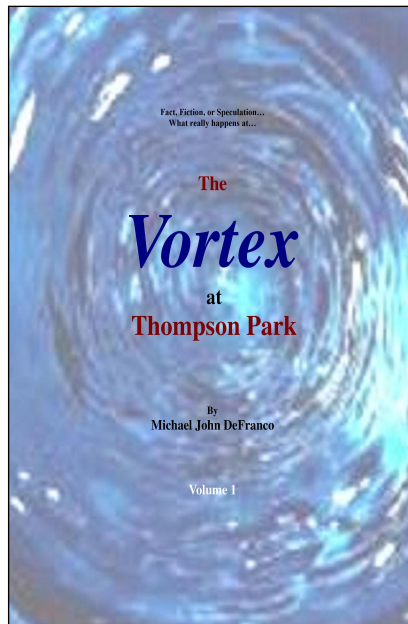
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On January 9, 2016, a doctor told me:
“This will be your last Birthday”



You see, I woke up January 5, 2016 and I was totally blind. I called another doctor when the first told me I was diabetic. He said, “I have been around a long time and I know Diabetic retinopathy when I see it.” A blood test was ordered. They found I had High cholesterol, high blood pressure, the starting of kidney disease, and blood sugar of 183. “I told you so” the doctor told me.

My brother and Uncle died just two weeks earlier so I advised my family and began getting my affairs in order. While doing so, I stumbled over something I wrote in high school. Forty years earlier, when I graduated high school, my father told me to put childish things aside, but now seemed like the time to resurrect that long forgotten story. A friend staked his journalistic career to help me out.

I began working on my book. As it neared completion, I contacted Lulu and spoke with Thomas.

During our conversation, it came out that I wasn't in good shape and would not likely see my book published. Friends set up a book signing event and funded an order of my books. Time was short, and I worried I might not get the books in time for the signing.

Once again, I contacted Lulu to see when they would arrive and if any accommodations could be made for shipping them more quickly. Thomas agreed to look into it and do what he could.

On my birthday, March 8, 2016, I called for his supervisor (her name is Rachel), and told her how

exceptional he was over the last few days. Just to hear his voice lifted my spirits. I was afraid that I might have been a pain and wanted her to know what he did for a stranger and I didn't want to get him in trouble for looking into upgrading my shipping. I needed her to know that he was one hell of a representative for Lulu.

I got the books at 10:00 AM the next day!

I planned this to be my last Hurrah. And because of Lulu and Thomas' personal assistance, I could achieve it.

That's not even the end of the story; I told Thomas that someone else would probably complete the series, now it seems he may have to put up with me from time to time; at least for a while! I met with

my Doctor this past Monday, she began by saying that on my first visit she needed me to know how serious the problems were and she needed to “scare the hell” out of me if I did not take action.

She sat with me and went through all the frightening signs the initial round of blood tests reveals; my weight, my blood sugar, my blood pressure. And after a month and a half, the improvements were tremendous.

I told her that I did what she and the nutritionist told me to do. Cut out sodas, ate fruits and vegetables, cut starch, and ate appropriate servings.

I went through the scariest part of my life in the past month and a half, not knowing if I would even see

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tomorrow, much less see the book published. Now it may be the first of many!

I am very happy to have worked with Lulu to achieve my dream.

Michael DeFranco

Author of “[The Vortex at Thompson Park](#)”

The following individuals mentioned in this story either live or have lived in the Watertown area and are listed here in order of their appearance:

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Thompson Park is located in Watertown, New York and has been home to all sorts of paranormal events.

There have been reports of “odd sensations” near one particular hill, along with alleged sightings of apparitions along with unexplained noises.

Recently, sightings of Bigfoot and UFO encounters have joined the strange list of anomalous activity in the area.

Thompson Park is best known for its so-called vortex, a portal or space-time disturbance that exists between the park’s zoo and golf course in a wooded area.

This area is where many people have supposedly vanished, often to return in an entirely different location. In fact, people have apparently vanished and claimed to have traveled through time and into other dimensions. Some say, that others have never returned at all!