

The Bulletin

“All The News That’s Not Fit To Print” - November 2011 Edition

Normally we keep to certain journalistic standards in our publication but the events of All Hallow’s Eve cannot help but leave us frankly asking **what the fuck was that?!?** If anyone sees Friends of the Compass Table Jenny Greenteeth, Richard Burke, Frank Carty, Melissa Tsien or Thomas Nandor please flag that information upward as they remain on our list of missing dead persons.

On from the news, let’s talk about the weather:

Arturo Giovanni brings notice that a certain Kingdom Beneath The Streets known to lie beneath Anarch territory in Queens may have fallen thanks to the events of October 31st. Boons from Clan Giovanni are on offer in exchange for keeping these developments from hitting the front page of the Daily News, as the Nosferatu Spawning Pools beneath the entire borough may presently be poorly attended and Rodents Of Unusual Size (as well as lizards, dogs, cats, owls, bats and who knows what else, oh my) have begun to be sighted by New York City Metropolitan Transit Authority workers as they go about their shiftwork throughout the borough. Whisper networks are forming within that organization and that’s how Hunter cells form; **Amity Carter** of Clan Tremere deserves the credit for bringing these cells forming within the MTA union to the Editor’s attention, and assistance in the ruthless deletion of wayward memories is just as needed as the deletion of biologically impossible animals from the sewers of Queens and boons will be on offer for services rendered.

We have A Problem with **The Alphabet Soup Agencies** as we like to call them, as revealed by document troves unearthed in recent FOIA lawsuits won by Village Voice writer Nicholas Pinto. While Pinto was looking into NYPD abuses of power and the dramatic overreach in Federal involvement in local law enforcement through the Department of Homeland Security’s black budget, it was unearthed that there was an *unofficial* Fusion Center in lower Manhattan on top of the publicly-known **NYSIC** on record at 630 Columbia Street Extension in Latham, NY. The NYC Center is placed under 80 Broadway a hop skip and a jump from the New York Stock Exchange and construction site of the forthcoming Freedom Tower, and appears to be the command and control station for an expansive array of NYPD-owned-and-operated surveillance cameras using the ShotSpotter audio/video surveillance system to identify firearms discharges and route officers to respond automatically.

What Pinto has not yet deduced, and we must keep him and anyone else nosing through these documents from doing the same, is that a portion of these cameras have been put in place around Penn Station and Grand Central on their own closed-loop system routed through *Washington* rather than 1PP or 80 Broadway and include facial recognition software *and thermal imaging hardware* that likely explains the rash of disappearances of our kind in those areas in recent years. We have long suspected something of this sort must be in place but we now have documentation to prove it; shoutout to **SPL01TZ** for piecing these breadcrumbs together and identifying some of the hardware manufacturers and software contractors so we can begin understanding how to identify and subvert this control system.

Anyone interested in collaborating with this effort would be welcome to make themselves known to **Jonathan Kesef** to work in a tolerably coordinated fashion.

But when it rains it pours, gentle reader, because it seems **Hizzonner** couldn't keep his hand out of the cookie jar either and a copy of this network appears to exist along Central Park West as well. All credit here goes to **Ingrid Burrington** for tracing the hardware details SPLOITZ had pieced together in excruciating detail and on such a short timetable that it boggles the mind, putting together her travelogue **Networks of New York: An Illustrated Field Guide to Urban Internet Infrastructure** which will doubtless clue in every Bulletin reader of just where they can and cannot go based on network cabling, surveillance hardware vendor contracts and a dozen other details that we can't even begin to fathom how she got the data on. At the moment we're suggesting any travellers carry an umbrella when visiting from Central Park West to Broadway from Columbus Circle to 96th Street until we know more. It's raining cats and dogs in the richest part of town, and we don't know enough about where or why yet to expect sunny days to come again quite yet.

There's always more coming but nothing so hot we had to say STOP THE PRESSES, you'll hear more from us the next time a crack of thunder suggests a storm's brewing over the city.

Your Illustrious Editor,
Alejandro D'Anconia