

Richard A. Allcorn, aka "Rich Allcorn", grew up around mainframe computers (then AutoLOGIC) through his uncle, and had his first around-the-world chat on a typewriter terminal console in college (1977) on the ArpaNET, before instant messenger clients. His first "pc" was an EagleStar desktop model, running the CP/M 2.2 DOS. This was before IBM named their pc a "PC", and their DOS as "DOS".

His first experience with UNIX was with SCO-XENIX, one of the first UNIX releases for use on PC's. He fell in love with UNIX, and has worked with it every since.

With a knack for being self-taught in most things, Rich has often been accused of proving the jack-of-all-trades scenario wrong. Having worked as a pc support tech, a UNIX admin, LINUX admin, and a Windows server admin, Rich served as a systems engineer, server admin, Team Lead, an IT manager, a Technical Writer, and consulted and contracted at various jobs in the IT-related field: computer consulting, teaching, pc support, pc repair, software support, and user accounts/data management. He also served as a web designer, and a social media presence guru, and a cloud admin, working with LAMP services, file sharing, and virtual accounts and mobility. He is at home, and well versed in just about any category concerning computers, websites, cellular equipment, and communications equipment, along with the underlying technologies that support these. He is also an electronics technician, a telephone guy, and works with networking, cabling, telephone systems and wiring, and off-grid setups. Being a Ham radio guy, two-way radio communications also come into play, with mesh networking, UHF/VHF and HF packet radio, radio teletype, etc. services utilized to interconnect computers and pass along messaging.

A teacher-motivated individual at heart, discovering each and every possible use for a piece of hardware, has become somewhat of a passion for Rich. The desire to share this abundance of knowledge and experience is why you are reading this today. Rich is very mobile, virtual, and off-grid as well as "connected", whether in-town or in the sticks, all-the-while maintaining his connectivity and resources online.

Rich uses macOS on his personal laptop, and LINUX and Windows 10 Professional in virtual sessions on the same device, providing him with a mobile "office" setup utilizing all of these. Rich also has various "virtual" systems installed, like Solaris, various versions of Windows, and even MS-DOS. His system is equipped for video conferencing using various services like SKYPE, Facetime, Telegram Video/Audio/Chat, GoogleChat, WhatsApp, and others. He has an assigned landline telephone number (VoIP) for his laptop, and his office is "virtual". Along with his virtual "dial-up" line to dial-in to his LINUX system, Rich is truly set for mobility.

Many of his resources are accessible "through the NET", back to his home site/office, and an abundance of files, contact info and resources can be obtained at his personal website, with hotlines to launch video/voice conversations, download resumes, bio's, and personal information files that may be needed.

Rich's LINKED-IN account can be found at:  
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and his LINUX page (lots of info) at:  
<http://www.uupcnet.org/LINUX>

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