

Production Squad —

I'm back. Coffee issue resolved. I appreciate our Electrics Designer communicating out with you all a few days ago. But things are getting back on schedule now.

This final push for completing our networked device, our ruun, has been exhausting. For all of us. I'm not sure anyone, Reticulites included, comprehends how backbreaking this labor can be — the practice that underlies the theory.

At the same time, it's not all theory versus practice. I've just found out that this year will be different from the other parasite appearances. The Reticulites are actually *making* something of their own this time. The Runners told us at the last Council meeting. I can only say that it is big. The Reticulites creating something for the Seekers. I'm told that we'll have to accommodate the Seekers this year, that they matter more than ever. That's fine. We've never been territorial or hierarchical. I'm just concerned that they won't know what to do with the device if we invite them in, much less how to turn it on.

I'm told they'll be sending in Problem Solvers. I've never heard of that group. But I'm not a scholar or a Serpent. I'll ask Bara.

No updates about the breach of the original ruun space. We are not a "calling out" culture." For the time being, here is the next cluster of objects for our next phase of construction.

Texts: 1. "Why Organize" (Barack Obama) 2. *The Parasite* (Michel Serres), 3. *The Hunting Accident* (Dave Carlson), 4. Typewriter, 5. "Diagnosis of Student Protest" poster, 6. Chalkboard, 7. Wax tablet, 8. Spoken word cassette, 9. Jesse's journal, 10. Quill, Privileged object: Kindle with "The Climate of History: Four Theses" (Dipesh Chakrabarty)

Pragmatically striving,
Your Engineer

P.S. A Base for Sequences of Lucubration and Code. Between Single Lactobacilli Cells and all Branches of Species in Linnaeus Clades. Bound by Synthesis of Lipids and Chromosomes, Bisecting Studies of Life and Cognition.