

Man with Wyalusing Township, PdC ties publishes novel

Visionær Press recently published *The Kurchatov Penetration* a techno-thriller by author Timothy S. Jacobson.

Tim Jacobson was raised for a good part of his youth in the Wyalusing Township of Grant County, and he attended West Grant (now River Ridge) High School. He now lives in La Crosse. His mother, Gloria Jacobson, resides in Prairie du Chien.

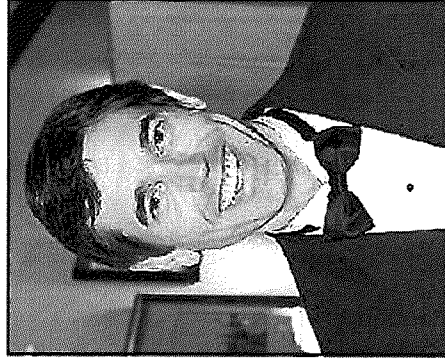
Starting in childhood, he began keeping a journal of his adventures and explorations. Along with his older brothers and childhood friends, he built forts in the woods and surveyed the landscape from the treetops. As a 4-year-old, he once wandered into the woods, got lost, and waded chest-deep through a swamp to reach a house to be rescued (before he knew how to swim).

Jacobson survived his

childhood and went on to graduate from Beloit College and Marquette Law School.

After four decades, Jacobson retains his insatiable curiosity and desire for adventure. He has traveled through parts of the Middle East where he stared down the barrels of machine guns wielded by screaming soldiers while investigating firsthand some of the security and political issues embroiling the region. In the U.S. Air Force Auxiliary (Civil Air Patrol), Major Jacobson has flown Homeland Security training exercises in which armed F-16 fighter jets have intercepted the plane he was flying.

In the novel, Mossad assassinations of Iranian nuclear experts, deliberating international sanctions, computer viruses tailored to disrupt uranium enrichment facilities,



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ties, other acts of sabotage, and threats of all-out war by the U.S. escalate and push extremist rulers within the Islamic Republic of Iran to the point of frenzied desperation and insane impatience in their quest to construct the ultimate weapon of horror.

Despite the risks of feeding

Iran's ravenous appetite for plutonium, Nikolai Volkov of the Russian "mafiya" devises a plan to reap obscene profits by hijacking a cache of weapons-grade material for sale in the Middle East. The mafiya is thwarted in its efforts until it tricks a brilliant but naive teenage hacker, Kent Dalton, into picking the digital locks securing stockpiles of fissile materials.

In a cascade of intrigue, the fate of the world suddenly hangs in the balance as the mafiya, the hacker, and the government of Russia, America and Iran scratch and claw for control of the most dangerous and powerful elements on Earth.

Jacobson has been a U.S. Air Force Auxiliary (Civil Air Patrol) mission pilot, attorney, writer, documentary filmmaker, dot-com and en-

ergy company executive, computer programmer, conservationist, song writer and guitar player, blacksmith, runner, and public speaker with a black belt in karate and an advanced scuba diving certification.

He is also a student of Russian language and history. Jacobson has published several magazine articles about his travels abroad and international peace and justice. He has three other novels and a nonfiction book in the works as well.

"I love to write," Jacobson said. There are so many fascinating issues and conflicts in the world and in our lives to explore. I can't get enough of it."

The Kurchatov Penetration is Jacobson's first published novel and is available at www.KurchatovPenetration.com.