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For the "Strategic Advisor" role within The Center for Industrial Research and Service (CIRAS):

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Being a geek by nature, I have always been eager to learn. A large extended family in a small rural community containing multiple generations of farmers and teachers has instilled within me an immutable trust, desire to be useful and a strong sense of responsibility to the greater community.

In my career, the ability to manage responsibilities and motivations of an extended 'project' family has provided me with multiple opportunities to contribute to projects in a wide variety of industries. Utilizing the communication and mindful trust skills bestowed upon me by my community, I have been able to establish and maintain a diverse network of "industry family" that could be of strategic value to future CIRAS projects. Some of those relevant "families" are:

- State Grant - Grasshorse Tech. - Robomotion Stop Motion Animation Automation
- Economic Development - Heartland Econ. Dev. - Compute Node Hosting
- Federal SBIR/STTR Grants - CAT9 - Authored multiple grants
- Nuclear Power Generation - Ovalpath - Mobile platform for radiation protection
- Federal Governmental - Mail Services - Sensitive communications via USPS
- Local Governmental - Croft - Network communications and automation for communities
- Telecommunications - Vertical - Venture Funding, Integrated networking and telecommunications
- Healthcare - Vianeta - Cloud Medical Transcription
- Military - Lockheed MSC - Video platform test systems
- Agriculture - TFM - Farm Management Financial automation
- Entertainment - Grasshorse - Stop-Motion 3D printed character
- Curriculum - Grasshorse - SCC Animation curriculum design

A current project example in Waterloo/Cedar Falls area concerns 'in-home automation' specifically for 'whole life care' financing and service planning. I have talked to both Kris Hansen (Western Homes) and Mark Kittrell (Iowa) about moving 'in-home automation' technology company from California to Iowa to serve this growth industry for Iowa and beyond. I look forward to exploring opportunities for providing service to growth industry markets with strategic guidance through the ISU Center for Industrial Research and Service (CIRAS).

In service,
Chris Trees