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### **PROJECTS**

PiNexus Current

Raspberry Pi 4 | Linux (DietPi) – Self-Hosted Homelab

• A Raspberry Pi-based local server providing a secure domain for my network, with services like ad blocking, VPN, and AI processing. This setup allowed me to explore networking, Linux system administration, and security.

#### **Kev Mechanics:**

- Pi-Hole for Ad Blocking Set up Pi-Hole to block ads and trackers across the network.
- WireGuard VPN Configured WireGuard for secure, fast, and private remote access to my network.
- DNS & Reverse Proxy Secure domain setup for self-hosted services.
- AI Integration Running Ollama locally for AI-powered tasks on the Raspberry Pi.

PentestLab Current

Ethical Hacking | Virtual Lab | Vulnerability Testing

• Designed a penetration testing lab using virtual machines to simulate real-world network attacks and security assessments. This lab helped me enhance my ethical hacking, networking, and security analysis skills.

#### **Key Mechanics:**

- Virtual Network Setup Created an isolated network using VirtualBox & VMware for penetration testing.
- Kali Linux Toolkit Used Nmap, Metasploit, Burp Suite, and Wireshark for vulnerability scanning and exploitation.
- Active Directory Security Set up a Windows Server Active Directory environment and tested privilege escalation techniques.
- CTF Challenges Hosted local Capture The Flag (CTF) challenges to practice real-world hacking scenarios.
- Mitigation & Defense Analyzed logs and configured firewalls, IDS/IPS, and security patches to prevent attacks.

# JOB EXPERIENCE

#### Skalli Events | Project Coordinator

Nov 2021 — Present

- Assist Engineers with audio and video equipment setup, monitoring and inventory
- Verify, test and troubleshoot audio and video connections. Escalate advanced issues to engineers
- Monitoring signals and levels during live events for audio and video quality assurance
- Assist in event planning logistics before, during and after live events

## Legacy Castle | Banquet Server

**June 2023 — September 2023** 

- Provided excellent service to wedding guests, ensuring everything ran smoothly, from intimate gatherings to large-scale events totaling 1,000 guests
- Tidied the ballrooms and prepared for the following days of work after every shift

# **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

Programming Languages: Python, Bash, PowerShell, C, JavaScript, HTML/CSS

**Cybersecurity Tools:** Kali Linux, Wireshark, Metasploit, Burp Suite, Nmap, Nessus, John the Ripper

Operating Systems: Linux (Ubuntu, Kali, Fedora), Windows, MacOS

Cloud Security: AWS Security, Azure Security, GCP Security

Networking & Protocols:TCP/IP, DNS, HTTP/HTTPS, VPNs, VLANs, Firewalls, IDS/IPS

**Vulnerability Assessment:** OWASP Top 10, CVE Analysis, Security Auditing

Cryptography: Encryption Algorithms, SSL/TLS, RSA, AES, Hashing (MD5, SHA)

Automation & Scripting:Python, Bash, PowerShell

# **EDUCATION**

Montclair State University

Bachelors of Science in Computer Science