File 20090929.2210: Notes on [1, Chapter 9]: What important service volunteer activities would be valued at LMCO? What are the tasks no one wants to do? *E.g.*, taking minutes at departmental meetings. It has to be something onerous that is necessary but no one wants to do. (It also, at least at LMCO, has to be something that doesn't step on Document Management's toes.) Above all, it should be something about which managers will think twice before load-shedding. It does no good to be sincerely appreciated if the bastards they lay you off anyways [1, Chapter 9].

I wrote a letter (email) of thanks to Professor Cahn tonight.

References

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