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Understanding the Value of Your SIEM and SOC



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Entrepreneur

Partners in maintaining technology

By Rebecca Eparza
Contributing Writer

Anyone that has wasted precious time fuming with a recalcitrant computer knows unless you have an affinity for technology, it is best to let the experts handle it.

Brothers Mike and Josh Richline have seized on that theory with their own company, Richline Technical, since April 2001. Before then, Mike worked with a local technical consulting company and Josh was doing similar work at a San Antonio firm. Mike's college roommate, Tommy King, joined as a partner in 2003. "I initially started out on my own because at the time, there was only one other company in town doing high-end consulting," recalled Mike.

"With a lot of persistence, we opened this business up when I was 24. Maybe that persistence was mixed with a little bit of arrogance, too," he laughed. "I wanted to overcome the stigma that you had to go out of town to get this kind of work done."

Technical snafus could be avoided simply by maintaining the health of your computer, added Josh. "Most companies think on a reactive basis, meaning they send technicians out only when there is something wrong with their computer. With our managed services, we keep things from breaking. Our technicians prevent trouble from happening," he said.

And now technology has progressed to where their technical staff can monitor work stations and servers remotely, without even leaving their headquarters in downtown Corpus Christi.

"We monitor servers in New Mexico, Houston, Arizona, Austin, San Antonio and the Rio Grande Valley. One company in East Texas has hired us as their technical department," said Mike.

He stressed Richline Technical is not your typical shop that fixes computers. "We have a 24-hour, seven-day-a-week

Partners at Richline Technical (pictured left to right) Mike Richline, Josh Richline and Tommy King, offer clients preventive maintenance in order to maintain their computer operations.

operation that monitors critical devices," he said. "The longer it takes your computer technician to fix it, the more it will cost your business in the long run. Our goal is to keep your network up and running. You never want to go down, especially for long periods of time."

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Agenda

HERE'S THE PLAN

- What are SOC and SIEM?
- Role in Cybersecurity Strategy
- Reasonable Expectations
- Questions & Answers



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What are SOC and SIEM?

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What is a SOC?



Not a "SOCK" or a "SOC 2"



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What is a SOC?



Security Operations Center

"A centralized function within an organization employing people, processes, and technology to continuously monitor and improve an organization's security posture while preventing, detecting, analyzing, and responding to cybersecurity incidents."

Source: McAfee



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What is a SOC?



Security Operations Center

- Monitors for Threats
- Provides Context
- Makes Decisions



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What is a SIEM?



Security Information Event Management

“Security Information and Event Management (SIEM) is software that improves security awareness of an IT environment by combining security information management (SIM) and security event management (SEM). SIEM solutions enhance threat detection, compliance, and security incident management through the gathering and analysis of real-time and historical security event data and sources.”

Source: McAfee



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What is a SIEM?



Security Information Event Management

- Software or Appliance
- Gathers and Analyzes Logs
- Produces Alerts



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Type	Date	Time	Source	Ca
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Success Audit	9/5/2001	12:15:38 PM	Security	Pri
Success Audit	9/5/2001	12:15:35 PM	Security	Pri
Success Audit	9/5/2001	12:15:35 PM	Security	Pri
Success Audit	9/5/2001	12:15:35 PM	Security	Pri
Success Audit	9/5/2001	12:15:35 PM	Security	Pri
Success Audit	9/5/2001	12:15:34 PM	Security	Pri
Success Audit	9/5/2001	12:15:00 PM	Security	Pri
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Event Log

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What Goes into Your SIEM?

HERE ARE A FEW EXAMPLES

- Domain Controller
- Firewalls
- All Security Suites (EDRs)
 - Symantec\Norton\Traditional AV
 - Cylance\CrowdStrike\Defender
- Office 365
- Core Application Servers
 - SQL
 - Exchange
 - Business Critical
- Internet-Exposed Servers
- Routers
- Switches
- Proxy Servers\Web Filters
- DNS Logs (?)
- VPN Endpoints
- SDWan Devices
- Hypervisor Hosts
- WLAN Gear and Access Points



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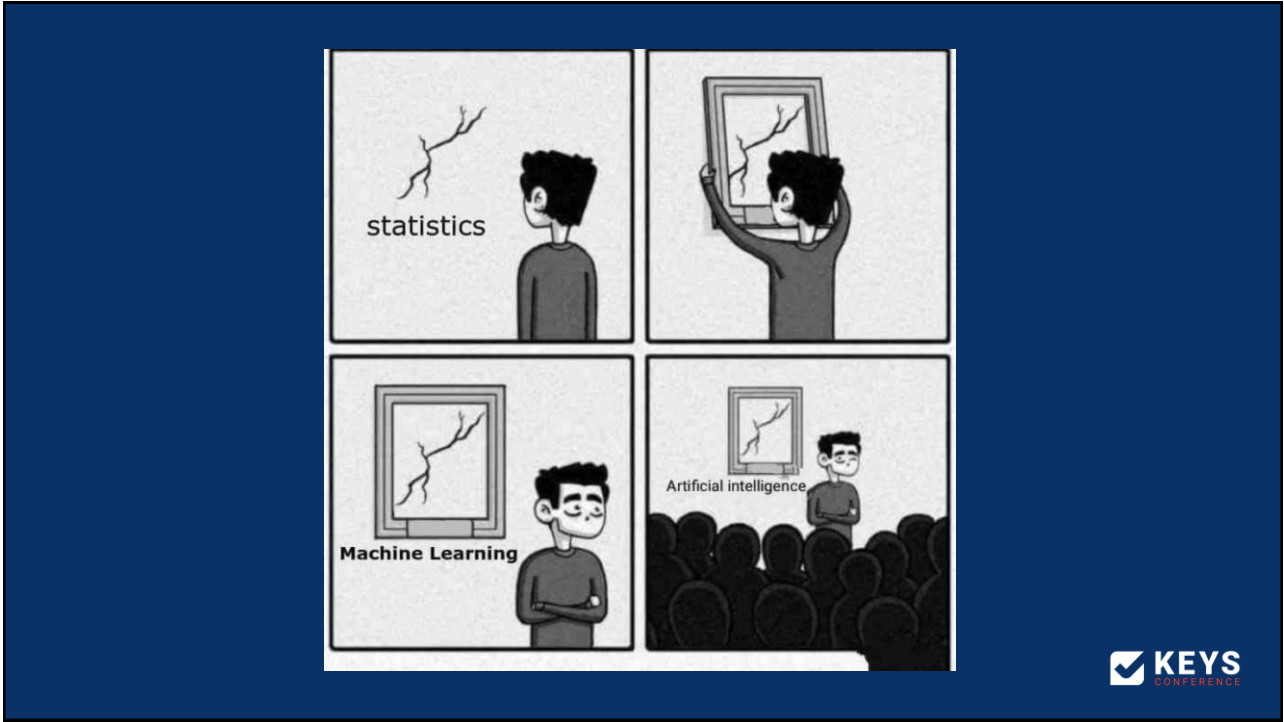


Ryan Reynolds

Don't pretend you don't know who he is



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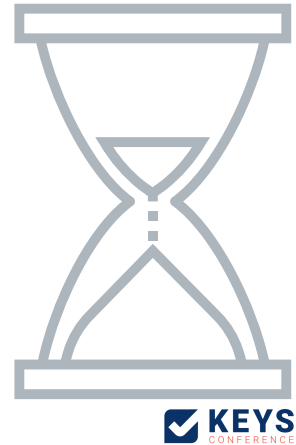
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SOC & SIEM's Role in Cybersecurity Strategy

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“Burnout might be the most critical cybersecurity risk facing organizations in 2022.”



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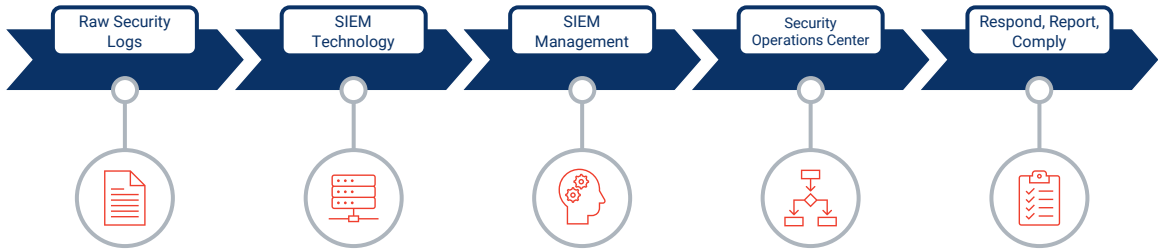
more likely to ignore security best practices



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SOC & SIEM

HOW THEY WORK TOGETHER



Reasonable Expectations for Your SOC & SIEM

What Should I Expect

FROM A WELL-TUNED SOC AND SIEM

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Data
Accessibility

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SIEM
Flexibility

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Skilled SIEM
Operators

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Helpful
Reporting



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Heath Bowlin

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SENIOR NETWORK ENGINEER

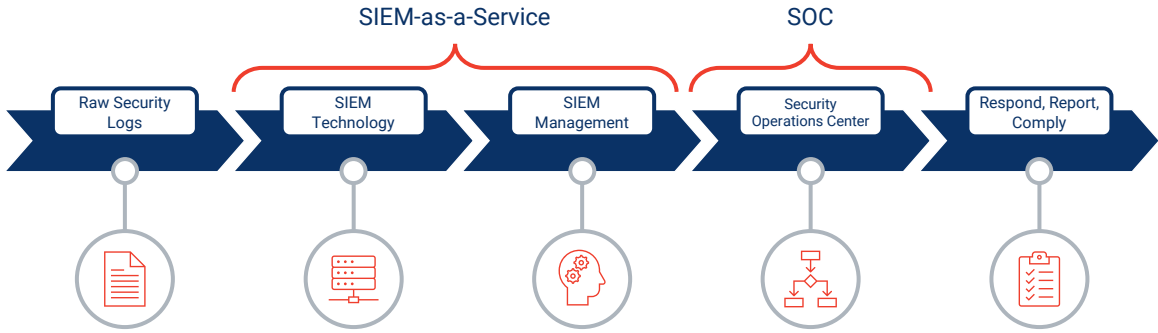
"I'm not saying I'm Batman, but me and Batman have never been seen in the same room together." - Heath



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Cybersecurity Monitoring

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Reports

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- 2,200 Built-in Reports
- Custom Reports as Needed
- Report Bundles for Ease of Use
- Pre-Built Compliance Bundles

Name	Origin	Description
(S)HFWA 1.x: Top Firewalls and Permitted Uncommon Services By Connections, Bytes	System	Tracks uncommon services permitted by firewalls - common services include DNS, SMTP, Web
(S)HFWA 10.x: Successful WLAN Admin Logon	System	Tracks successful admin logons to the WLAN Controller
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): 164.312(X)(Z): Local Windows User Accounts Created	System	This report captures user accounts added on a server
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): Global Windows Groups Created	System	This report captures global group creations
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): Global Windows Groups Deleted	System	This report captures global group deletions
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): Global Windows Groups Modified	System	This report captures global group modifications
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): Local Windows Groups Created	System	This report captures local group creations
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(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): Local Windows Groups Modified	System	This report captures local group modifications
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): Local Windows User Accounts Deleted	System	This report captures user accounts removed from a server
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): Local Windows User Accounts Modified	System	This report captures local user account modifications
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): Server Passwords Changed	System	Tracks password changes
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): Users Added To Global Groups	System	This report captures users added to global or universal groups
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): Users Added To Local Groups	System	This report captures users added to local groups
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): Users Deleted From Global Groups	System	This report captures users deleted from global or universal groups
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): Users Deleted From Local Groups	System	This report captures users deleted from local groups
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): 164.308(X)(S)(S): 164.312(X)(Z): Detailed Failed Login At HFWA System	System	Captures detailed failed logins at any device or application - servers, network devices, domain controllers, VPN gateways, WLAN c...
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): 164.308(X)(S)(S): 164.312(X)(Z): Detailed Successful Login At HFWA System	System	Tracks the security related incidents by their severity and then by their count
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): 164.308(X)(S)(S): 164.312(X)(Z): Failed Unix Server Logins	System	This report details failed unix server logins with all parsed fields and raw logs
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): 164.308(X)(S)(S): 164.312(X)(Z): Failed Windows Server Logins	System	This report reports failed windows servers logins
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): 164.308(X)(S)(S): 164.312(X)(Z): Successful Unix Server Logins	System	This report details successful unix server logins with all parsed fields and raw logs
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): 164.308(X)(S)(S): Successful Windows Server Logins	System	This report records successful windows server logins
(S)HFWA 164.308(X)(S): 164.308(X)(S)(S): Failed Firewall Admin Logon Details	System	Details about failed firewall logins

The screenshot shows the "Reports" interface. On the left, there is a list of reports under the "GLBA" category. On the right, a detailed view of a report is shown, including a "Report History" table with columns for "Name", "Origin", "Description", "Schedule", and "Last Saved Result".

Name	Origin	Description	Sched	Last Saved Result
(S) GLBA 1.6.1: Top Reporting Modules Ranked By Event Rate	System	Ranks the reporting devices by events per second. This report shows the breadth of the devices from where security logs...		
(S) GLBA 1.6.1: Top Security Incidents By Severity Count	System	Ranks the security related incidents by their severity and then by their count		
(S) GLBA 1.7.2.C.9: Audited Linux File Changes	System	Tracks user modifications to Linux files and directories. Both the content and attribute modifications are captured. For archi...		
(S) GLBA 1.7.2.C.9: Windows File Access Failures	System	This report captures the details of windows server file access failures. Details include the administrative user, file/directory...		
(S) GLBA 1.7.7: Firewall Configuration Changes	System	This report captures detected firewall configuration changes		
(S) GLBA 1.7.7: Firewall Run vs Startup Configuration Change	System	This report captures detected differences between a firewall's running and startup config		
(S) GLBA 1.7.7: Router Run vs Startup Configuration Difference	System	This report captures detected differences between a routers running and startup config		
(S) GLBA 1.7.7: Router/Switch Configuration Changes	System	This report captures detected startup or running config changes		
(S) GLBA 1.7.7: Windows Domain Controller Config Changes	System	Provides detailed windows domain controller config changes		
(S) GLBA 1.7.7: Windows Server Config Modification Details	System	This report captures the details of windows server configuration or policy modification events. Details include the administ...		
(S) GLBA 2.A.2: Global Windows Groups Created	System	This report captures global group creations		
(S) GLBA 2.A.2: Global Windows Groups Modified	System	This report captures global group modifications		
(S) GLBA 2.A.2: Local Windows Groups Created	System	This report captures local group creations		
(S) GLBA 2.A.2: Local Windows Groups Modified	System	This report captures local group modifications		
(S) GLBA 2.A.2: Local Windows User Accounts Created	System	This report captures user accounts added on a server		




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Upcoming Sessions

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Testing Your Operational Resilience

Brady Cook, Tandem

RISK & COMPLIANCE

A Chat with Your Friendly Examiner

Ruth Norris, Texas Department of Banking

CYBERSECURITY

Cybersecurity Session

TBD

