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Sci-fi tales shape life story of Hossencofft, records reveal

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He is a space alien who once was employed by the CIA.

He is a father who genetically engineered his own child in a laboratory while awaiting the Earth's tribulations.



Diazien Hossencofft

He is an ageless scientist who created the fountain of youth.

The self-portrait Diazien Hossencofft, 35, has painted for friends and police investigators looks like a Hollywood sci-fi blockbuster.

But it's truth, not fiction, that concerns police and prosecutors, and they say that hasn't been easy to comb through -- given the often outlandish tales Hossencofft has told friends and acquaintances, lovers and lawyers.

"He's perfectly sane," says attorney Steve Long, who most recently managed Hossencofft's defense in his ongoing murder case.

"He's a very intelligent guy, and I think a lot of people can't tell if he's teasing or what he's doing."

Nearly 3,000 pages of the Albuquerque Police Department's investigation into Hossencofft were made available to The Tribune, revealing several far-fetched claims by Hossencofft as well as information dug up by the FBI.

Albuquerque police have been investigating Hossencofft for more than a year, ever since his estranged wife, Girly Hossencofft, turned up missing on Sept. 9, 1999.

Hossencofft and his girlfriend, Linda Henning, are charged with first-degree murder, although police have yet to locate Girly Hossencofft's body.

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According to Albuquerque police records, Diazien Hossencofft, who is awaiting trial in the death of his estranged wife, Girly, told his friends many things, including:

On state of being: Diazien Hossencofft told friends he is an alien from the "Giga-Planet" who has been here for thousands of years.

Linda Henning told a friend Hossencofft is a vampire or werewolf with fangs. And an informant told investigators Hossencofft and Henning each claim to be cats.

On aging: Diazien Hossencofft said he has stopped the aging process. He claimed to one friend to be more than 2,000 years old and immortal. Hossencofft has told others that he is in 50s but takes a serum he developed to appear to be in his 30s.

Education and employment: Hossencofft said he was a one-time employee of the CIA and KGB. He says he quit the CIA while he was actively working on a death virus. Hossencofft told another friend he graduated from Tokyo University at the age of 12, with an IQ of 168, and began working with the CIA when he was 15 or 16 to develop "protein sheaths." Neighbors say Hossencofft claimed to be a heart surgeon and a scientist.

On his 4-year-old son: Hossencofft said he genetically developed his son. The boy, he said, knows five languages — English, German, Russian, Spanish, Japanese. According to a former girlfriend, the boy was one of 12 children created on Aug. 8, 1996. DNA was used from 11 other males to create the 11 children other than Hossencofft's son, she said. Hossencofft's own DNA was used to create the boy, who was later adopted, she said.

On Girly Hossencofft: Hossencofft thought his wife was "planted" by the CIA to marry him in order to keep watch over him.

On the future: Hossencofft spoke vaguely of Twelve Tribe groups. He was to be the guardian to show

Hossencofft was born March 5, 1965, in Houston as Armando Chavez. He graduated from high school in Phoenix and moved to Northern California, where he graduated from the College of Notre Dame, a small liberal arts school in Belmont, Calif.

Paul Spiers, an assistant district attorney who is prosecuting the Albuquerque case, said Hossencofft legally changed his name in October 1992.

Hossencofft was married one other time before he wed Girly Chew on Jan. 27, 1993.

From his first marriage, he has a son and now owes more than $85,000 in back child support, Spiers said.

Friends have told police, however, a different version of Hossencofft's personal history.

According to statements friends have given to police, Hossencofft has said his grandparents are billionaires and they raised him after his parents died in an automobile accident.

However, he told a former girlfriend that his mother died during birth and his father couldn't care for him, so he was sent to live with a grandfather in Germany.

"During this time, Diazien was treated as an adult and had no toys," the report says the girlfriend told police. "Afterward, he was sent to live with his mother's parents in Japan."

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He told a friend he worked for the CIA and specialized in chemical warfare -- a death virus he says will be placed in the world's water supply in the year 2007.

According to police records, Hossencofft told several friends he made an important discovery while working with the CIA: a youth serum he used to look much younger than he actually was.

Spiers calls Hossencofft's far-fetched stories an "infrastructure that he employs for exploitation," particularly for women.

According to police records, the FBI found Hossencofft was "having Internet romances with various women."

Hossencofft's relationship with Henning has been at the center of the murder case. Police have said the two were involved romantically and worked together to kill Girly Hossencofft.

Hossencofft had asked Henning to marry him three months after the two met, records say. But, according to police records, another woman also told police she accepted a marriage proposal from Hossencofft.

"It's hard to ignore," Spiers said of Hossencofft's reported ability to lure women. "I

others the way of the groups. After his guardianship was completed, he would be allowed to go "home." He said there are 12 space stations, located in China, Mexico, Russia, Germany, Colorado Springs, Washington, D.C., Laramie, Wyo., Los Alamos, Seattle, Arizona, California and either North or South Carolina.

Et cetera: Hossencofft told a girlfriend the Challenger spaceship was blown up in 1986 by the U.S. government, because there was an alien spaceship on the other side of the moon the Challenger occupants weren't supposed to see.

He also said he created AIDS on orders of the National Security Agency. In turn, he created a cure for AIDS and was on the run from the agency because the government did not want the virus cured. He also said it was not Wen Ho Lee who turned over secrets to the Chinese government; it was him. And he said in the year 2007 the government was going to kill two-thirds of the world's population.

Source: Albuquerque Police Department records

think even the most dimwitted person would notice there's something there."

Less than 5 1/2 feet tall, Hossencofft has let his hair grow long since his arrest a year ago. He has appeared at court hearings with brown hair reaching to his shoulders, with some strands of white, and with long fingernails, each filed to a point.

In front of judges, he has been outspoken, often debating, laughing and smiling.

Police records outline at least three instances in which authorities said Hossencofft's charm enabled him to get money from people.

According to police records, a friend told police Hossencofft charged an elderly woman in Santa Fe $8,600 a week for cancer treatments. Another man said a local church gave Hossencofft $3,000. A girlfriend said Hossencofft charged her $3,200 to inject her with his youth serum. One friend said Hossencofft diagnosed him with HIV and then charged $4,000 to administer an anti-HIV treatment. The man said he later tested negative for the virus by doctors.

Hossencofft also diagnosed himself, telling friends and neighbors he had cancer, according to police records. In the days leading up to his wife's disappearance, Diazlen Hossencofft said he was in Mexico receiving treatments for leukemia.

Hossencofft hasn't discussed any of the sci-fi stories in courts. He instead maintains his innocence.

"They still don't have no body, no evidence and no witnesses of any kind," he said at a hearing Tuesday.

Hossencofft said Tuesday the case is so easy, he will defend himself in court. A judge is expected to hear his motion to represent himself in the coming weeks.

Long said the defense has never considered any plea other than "not guilty," and Spiers said he isn't sure what role some of Hossencofft's odd claims will play in the courtroom.

"I'm pretty hesitant to think that it will play any role," Spiers said. "I think it's like a child looking at a mobile. It's an amalgamate of a bunch of modern cultural entertainment.

"It seems to me in many ways to be a distraction more than anything."

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