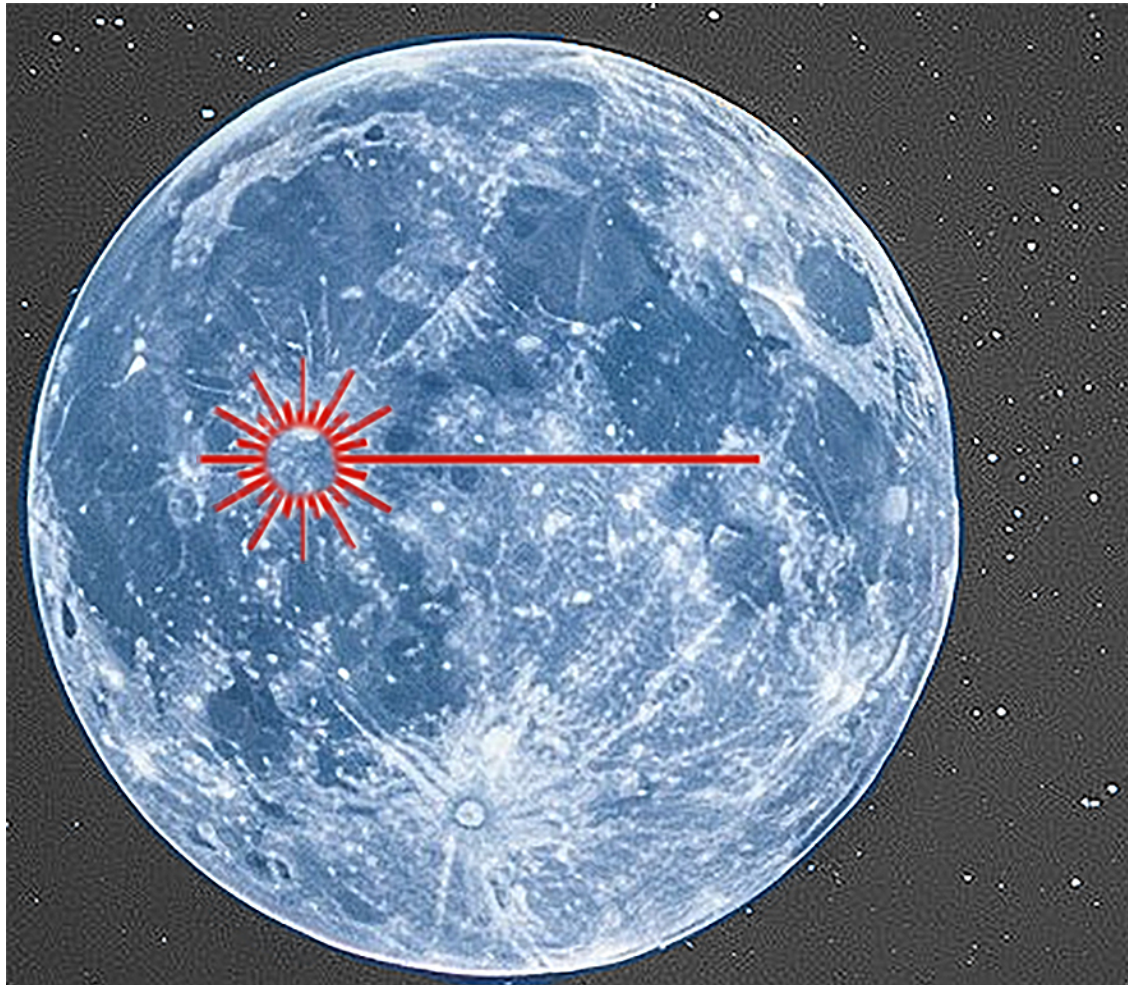


*I was messing around with the Scroton Accumulator on my Molecular Disrupter (<https://illuminatuslasers.com/MolecularDisrupter.shtml>), (trying to build a causation compensator for an FTL drive I'm working on), when I inadvertently created a time warp on my lab bench. Much to my surprise, a letter from my future self appeared in the field. Submitted for your approval (as Rod Serling used to say) below.*

*Hi 2026 Mike;*

*This is 2126 Mike, sending you a greeting via the chrono-synclastic infundibulum you set up while fooling around with your Molecular Disrupter. The time-gate popped up here a few minutes ago, so I'm sending you a shot of our latest laser prank, lasers on the moon!*



*How we (The Illuminatus) did this:*

*In late 2025, we made alien contact, and we traded some trinkets (mostly Bitcoin and Happy Meal toys) with the Zetans in exchange for the technology to build a space elevator, which Earth calls OTIS: Orbital Transport to Interplanetary Space. This has cut the cost of space access dramatically. We scrounged up the funds and shipped an X-Laser 2000W projector (and ourselves) to the elevator's space station in geo-synchronous orbit over Texas. We set up in an unused airlock and sent our little image off to the lunar surface on April First, 2126. We carefully aimed this so it wouldn't impact any of the lunar colonies. We left it running for a couple of hours during a full moon, much to the delight of laseristas everywhere, and then snuck back to Earth. Result: wide-spread consternation and a subsequent surge in the numbers of people doing laser shows. X-laser is now a trillion-dollar company, and other laser companies have seen a similar surge of interest. The CIA and ILDA tried to track us down, but we covered our tracks well.*

*I thought you might enjoy seeing what we've been up to.*

*Cheers...2126 Mike*

*Sector 51*

*Michigan*