







Grand Commander Berg

(a.k.a. Big Bug Berg - B3)

"THRU STRENGTH WE WILL INCREASE AND MULTIPLE"

(our motto)

Listen Cootie, Cutie and Crummiest!

This month's input will be straight talk - 3 areas - SAD, BAD, and GOOD



PT6 - BARRY MOSHINSKY - RIP

PT8 - DAVID BEIL - RIP

PT11 - THOMAS BURNETT - RIP

PT15 - PAUL GASPERSON - RIP Hospital R

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the families of these Great Cooties, may they Rest in Peace.

BAD: Some PTs are not up to par in submitting their reports, i.e., GO1's to the Grand Adj - 4 PT's, Hospital Report to the Hospital Chairman - Council Member and Seam Squirrel's need to insure their reports are submitted - i got a email from the Supreme asking "Do we have a problem".

GOOD/GREAT NEWS - When your PT is having a Scratch, on Zoom, I would like to be invited - just send me an email to "bergfrederick2@gmail.com". If no Zoom is available use FB Messenger. Congratulations to PT15 for the invite, sorry no Zoom, we'll try again. I attended the PT6 Scratch in Bangkok - Congratulations on the initiation of 2 new Atoms to 1st Degree Nits, their next Scratch will be 18 November 2022 in the Korat Hotel, they already have several Atoms that want to





become Nits - all will be initiated thru all three degrees, Zoom will be available - Seam Squirrel Randy Riggs will send out the Zoom info in Nov ROF.

COMMO CHECK - Our next commo check will be on 24 Sep 22 - Zoom will be available - so if you have any grips or squeaks - COMMUNICATION MAKES FOR A BETTER MOC

SORRY I'M NOT LONG WINDED - SHOT AND LOUSY

L.O.T.C.S.,

Fred Berg Commander, (Big Bug) Email: grdcdr@vfwpacific.org bergfrederick2@gmail.com



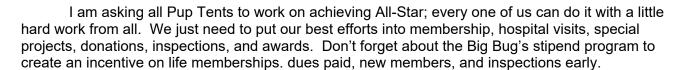
Grand Sr. Vice Commander Gley

(a.k.a. Middle Bug)

Lousy Cooties,

Things for the most part are now open and it is time to fill our seams with lousy qualified members that join our VFW Posts. Don't recruit just to make numbers; make sure that they are hard workers and supporters of

the Post. They need to be someone who can get the job done and understand the importance of what we do.



Let's do everything we can to increase and multiply so that all those deserving, can experience the lousy feeling that this order brings. Let's continue to keep our fellow comrades smilin' in beds of white by performing Buddy Checks even if it can only be through phone or video calls.

Through Strength We Will Increase and Multiply

Yours in LOTCS, David Gley Cootie #. 266 dbgley@gmail.com







Grand Jr. Vice Commander Himes

(a.k.a. Little Bug)

All you Lousy Cooties out there, I am deeply Humbled that I was voted into the position of Little Bug. I will ensure that I am giving you all the best that I can. Now I must say thanks to some of you guys that have pushed me over the years to give more to the Grand. Shawn, Kevin, Mo, Doc and Marty. As the years pass by and I am sure I will be seeking further guidance from you all.



Now for some work. I am going to download and revise all the award forms and get them into the same format. The problems are there are so many different formats on the forms and these will need to be corrected into one format. Also, many who are submitting the awards are using some forms that are years old and not updated. Later, this year I will let you know when you will be able to download the new ones. As a reminder though; the awards package will still be due on 30 APRIL 2023

See you all in the next Rim of Fire and let keep them Smiling in Beds of White.

Yours in L.O.T.C.S.,

Randall Himes rehimes@gmail.com



Grand Jr. Past Commander Moses

Listen Cooties,

The MOC has a lot of support from all the favorable comments and BOOs I received from DPA doing the DPA convention in June. Many of our Cooties are active at the DPA and National level.

The last 4 to 5 years I have had a very good feeling about the direction of our Grand leadership in regards to VFW DPA. We have many cooties that are active council members in the DPA and all have a good relationship

with comrades that are not cooties. Please, let's keep the direction that has been put forth over the last

several years of building good working relationship with our DPA comrades, cooties members or not.

How do we do that, remembering that we are VFW members first and MOC members second. Emphasizing the importance of getting the VFW story out, letting our communities see the contributions made by our VFW Posts.



The same is true for the MOC. We need to provide coverage of our activities supporting veterans. Submit articles with photos to our newsletter and local newspapers so DPA comrades and the community will recognize all the great work you are doing as Cooties.

Recruit new VFW members and work with them to be involved in the VFW programs. The more active they are in the Post the better chance of them wishing to become eligible for MOC members. It benefits the Post and Pup Tent. Increase and Multiply!

What makes our organization so great is not the leader, it is each person doing what they can and working together for our veterans, their families and communities however and whenever they can. Thank you for everything you do for the VFW and MOC.

"Keep 'em Smiling in Beds of White."

Yours in L.O.T.C.S.,

Robert "Mo" Moses Junior Past Big Bug Grand of Pacific



Grand Quartermaster Napsey

(a.k.a., Duffle Bug)

Listen up Cooties!

Below is each PT and Grand current membership percentages as of 31 Aug 22:



PT 1	95.12%
PT 2	90.00%
PT 6	79.55%
PT 7	72.55%
PT 8	73.79%
PT 11	68.00%
PT 13	59.09%
PT 15	100.00%
PT 303	96.67%

If there are membership updates that need to be made from the last membership roster I sent out, please let me know and I will have them updated. I have already updated a couple.

Have a Lousy Day Yours in L.O.T.C.S..

Mike "Hot Spot" Napsey PT 15 Mighty Pinatubo





Grand Judge Advocate Riggs

(a.k.a., Shyster)

Listen Up All you old Coot,

As we need to continue supporting our Grand of the Pacific with their monthly inputs, need to remember those reports have to be forwarded and kept on file. It is up to all Pup Tents to manage their records, but ensuring the Grand Commander is well aware of the activities within the Pacific.



The Hungry Cootie has used the General Order and Minutes are examples of the provided documentation. In the past, we have had some issues, but allowing the Big Bug to have situational awareness (SA) is the biggest value that we can provide for everyone. We understand that Scratch minutes are drafts until the next scratch; however, forward the draft because they can be corrected.

If there is any Pup Tent within the Grand that has issues with acquiring information or legal forms, please let me know. We are trying to keep the Keeper of the Lousy Records (KLR Bug) busier than a Bee. We need your help for this task.

Yours in L.O.T.C.S.,

Randy Riggs PT6 "Maeng Das" LM# 42280





Grand Chaplain Kelly

(a.k.a., Sky Pilot)

Sickbay

No Report Submitted



Yours in L.O.T.C.S.,

Don Kelly





Grand Surgeon Higgins

(a.k.a., Medic Bug)

Well boys and girls, moms and dads and kids of all ages. It is that time again to impart some knowledge to help keep us all happy and healthy.

It appears that this COVID-19, and all its various versions, isn't going anywhere, anytime soon. I thought we would cover that most important prevention technique that everyone over the age of three knows - "You Got to Wash Your Hands"!!!!! Believe it or not, Handwashing actually works and we don't even have to follow all

the silly rules the CDC, WHO and the curmudgeon Anthony Fauci put out in the atmosphere.

Hand-washing is the easiest and most effective thing we can do to prevent spreading viruses, especially Corona Viruses.

There are 5 Corona Virus Prevention Tips:

- 1. **DO NOT** touch your eyes, nose or mouth as they are the primary entry point for **ALL** respiratory infections
- 2. **Handwash and sanitize regularly** before eating or coming home. I find this part strange as they didn't suggest washing after going to the bathroom?!?
- 3. **Clean common work areas** and frequently touched items, (desks, phones, door handles, phones, etc.)
- 4. Remember the 4 principles of hand awareness. We will go over this in the next paragraph.
- 5. This is the problem one, **Wear a face mask** !! Fortunately, most of us didn't have to do this but it does cover the eyes which is one of the three main portals for viruses. Mask works well for mouth and nose but if you wear the mask over your eyes you will probably walk into a wall or door. So the face shield is much better.

Now we will go back over the 4th step dealing with hand awareness.

- 1. Wash your hands when dirty and before eating
- 2. **DO NOT** cough into your hands
- 3. **DO NOT** sneeze into your hands
- 4. Above **ALL**, **DO NOT** put your fingers into your eyes, nose or mouth.

Well, that is about it for now on the simplest and cheapest way to prevent viral illnesses from getting you or others.

And remember the old adage, "you can pick your friends and you can pick your nose but you can't pick your friends nose.

See y'all in the next edition.

LOTCS,

the Witch Doctor





Grand Adjutant Holzworth

(a.k.a., Hungry Cootie)

Listen up you Lousy Ole Coots! Here are some tasty

Our Crummy Supreme Cootie Officers for 2022-23 Term are:

Dwight Hora - Supreme Commander

Mark Larkin - Supreme SVC Robbie Normand - Supreme JVC

Gary Dressel - Supreme Quartermaster
Tracy Woodman - Supreme Adjutant

Pup Tent General Order Number 1:

There are still a few Pup Tents that have not turned in their GO-1 reports, if you have been a recipient via email please send your GO-1 to me soonest as B3 does ask for this information from time to time.

Pup Tent Scratch Minutes

Pup Tent Adjutants; As per Article III Section 316C requires Pup Tents to record all proceedings of each Scratch (minutes), further the minutes are to be emailed to the Grand Adjutant for review by the Big Bug to allow for situational awareness (SA) of significant value happening within each of your Pup Tents. Big Bug has cried in a childish manner for Pup Tents submittals for review (He is Bored at Home). That stated, please forward copies of your minutes to me soonest for review and filing to my email address, Divemaster65@yahoo.com. This will keep our cantankerous Big Bug busy and entertained.

Rim of Fire

Remember; the ROF is published every two months. It is posted on the Grand Website and MOC site on Facebook. Articles are due to the Newshound, not later than the 5th of (September, November, January, March, and May). Be sure to mark your calendars and send to Newshound Riggs at GPANEWSHOUND@gmail.com.

MUGSHOTS

In the July ROF, I requested anyone with a position at the Grand and article in the ROF send me a mugshot, at this time the updating of their current photo was this was an easy task but if you had a hardship with it good on you. For those missing a mugshot, haven't updated their appearances or if nothing is received by the November edition of the ROF it will have random hilarious mugshots of my selection uploaded on the MOC GPA Website and on the ROF to represent you... gotta put a face to the name.... Get me your Cootie Mug Shot!

Every Cootie should access the MOC Grand website at vfwdeptpacific.org/GMOCDPA for update information and the MOCGPA Facebook page at gRAND oF tHE pACIFIC MOC 2.0.

"THRU STRENGTH WE WILL INCREASE AND MULTIPLY"

Be LOUSY always! L.O.C.T.S. Howard Holzworth (H2)







Grand Inspector Larson

(a.k.a., Watchdog Bug)

Big Bug and Fellow Cooties,

It is time to complete the inspections on all of our Pup Tents (PTs) within the Grand of Pacific Areas (GPA). The Deputy Inspectors have been appointed and were each sent a copy of the latest inspection report. I am asking that all Deputy Inspectors complete their inspections and submit them to me by 1 December 2022 so that I have time to consolidate them all into my report.



One of my main priorities for this year is to ensure that all PTs are bonded. It is also important that all audits be done by the PT Tight Wads Team on a regular basis. Hopefully by now, all election reports have been submitted to the Grand Hungry Cootie. My last comment is on membership! It is the responsibility of all Cooties to work the membership program within our PTs. Let's push hard to achieve our 100%+ goal for this year.

Yours in L.O.T.C.S.,

Barry Larson Grand Inspector



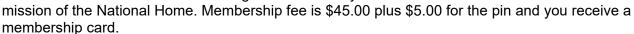


Grand National Home Chairman Guarnuccio

(a.k.a., Kid's Home Bug)

Listen up Cooties

On behalf of the Big Bug; we are looking forward to having all of you becoming a Life Member or an Associate Life Member with the National Home. This creates a lasting bond between yourself and the



Be a Life Membership now.

Yours in L.O.T.C.S.,

Emanuel "Manny" Guarnuccio Grand of Pacific Hospital Chairmen PT6, Maeng Das LM# 42500





Grand Hospital Chairman Himes

(a.k.a., Sick Bay Bug)

Cooties and Comrades,

The NEW Hospital Form have been sent out, with the WORKERS tab now attached.

This is a unlocked version and you can copy rows and insert more as needed.



Again, I HUMBLEY ask that you use the new sheets, *Please Do Not Modify* it as it is made to Auto calculate your numbers. If you require training just let me know.

The 2022-2023 yearly GOAL's have been updated some PT have gone up and some down. If any PT need their new goals just let me know.

Please send your reports to me at rehimes@gmail.com, make sure to get them to me by the 25th of each month. This gives me 3 days to combine the below report and send out to Supreme by the 28th as they requested. I will try and send reminders out on the 23rd each month to you all.

This is the report sent out 28 August please check for your files.

Pup Tent	Goal	Reports	Visits	Cooties	Patients	Hours	Miles	Gifts	This Months Credits	Previous Months Credits	Total Credits	Percentage
1	\$20,500.00	1	5	49	41	105	162	\$128.65	\$2,519.08	\$7,102.68	\$9,621.76	46.94%
2	\$7,500.00											
6	\$11,000.00	1	6	6	6	6			\$135.30	\$861.53	\$996.83	9.06%
7	\$12,750.00	1	17	26	14	70	772		\$1,686.58	\$3,711.75	\$5,398.33	42.34%
8	\$25,750.00	1	13	13	13	71	334		\$1,647.81	\$2,607.92	\$4,255.73	16.53%
11	\$6,250.00	1	27	21	27	96	1439	\$1,384.00	\$3,750.26	\$2,556.77	\$6,307.03	100.91%
13	\$5,500.00	1	98	103	111	131	968	\$110.00	\$3,199.57	\$2,853.98	\$6,053.55	110.06%
15	\$9,000.00	1	13	21	13	42.00	87.00		\$959.28	\$3,672.60	\$4,631.88	51.47%
303	\$10,750.00	1	24	24	34	116.00	3432.00	\$325.00	\$3,421.28	\$3,013.67	\$6,434.95	59.86%
MAL												
Total	\$109,000.00	8	203	263	259	637.00	7194.00	\$1,947.65	\$17,319.16	\$26,380.91	\$43,700.07	40.09%

Yours in L.O.T.C.S.,

Randell sends GOP Little Bug GOP Hospital Chairman PT1 Cootie 1251





Grand Blood Chairman Webber

(a.k.a., Vampire Bug)

Grand Blood/Vampire Says,

If any of our Cooties donate blood during this year, send your Pup Tent data to me, to include fellow Vampire's donation name, dates, amount in pints of blood sucked out of the donors. Blood Chairman/Vampire has not received any data yet, from any Pacific Grand Pup Tent or Cootie!!!



Remember to continue supporting our Paddy Daddy and VFW National Home for Children Programs.

As always, you can contact me anytime for assistance!

Yours in L.O.T.C.S., RHETT O. WEBBER



Grand Paddy Daddy Chairman Kelley (a.k.a. Pad Dad Bug)

Big Bug and Fellow Cooties,

The M.O.C. Grand of the Pacific as well as myself are asking you to help support the Paddy Daddy Program. The Paddy Daddy Application for signing up Comrades, Cooties, Friends, Family, and yes, even your Pets! Please fill out as many applications as you like for a very good cause. The VFW National Home Special Project is the recipient of the proceeds from our very own program in the Pacific Areas.



Send the application to me along with a check made out to "Ee CHI GAI" Pup Tent # 2, in the amount of USD \$25.00, and I will promptly prepare your Certificate, Card and Pin and mail them to you. I would recommend going thru your Pup Tents to ensure they know that you are participating. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to Email me. I would like to stresses that "every Pacific Cootie should be a Life Member of Paddy Daddy"! It's easy, during your special projects raffle, make it a Pup Tent requirement for "the 1st" special project for a new Cootie will ALWAYS be Paddy Daddy!

Yours in L.O.T.C.S.,

Don Kelley







Clark Veterans Cemetery Program

Becoming a member of Grave Diggers, you will help to honor our Veterans who are interred in the Clark American Cemetery.

A one-time minimum contribution of \$25 is requested and any amount in excess of the minimum will be greatly appreciated and applied towards the Grave Diggers fund to help pay for indigent veteran burials and the uniform and supplies for the Honor Guard detail fielded by VFW Robert W. Zaher Post 2485, Angeles City, Philippines.

All members will receive a Grave Digger Pin, Certificate and a Membership Card. If you wish to save time and mailing, you can click the Donate button below to use a credit card or PayPal to become a Grave Digger.

Upcoming burials at Clark Veterans Cemetery. We will attempt to keep information on upcoming burials as up to date as possible. Send updates or additional

Grand Duffel-Raising Chairman Mortimer

(a.k.a., Fundraising Bug)



STAY SAFE so I can collect duffle from you at our next PHUN RAISER!

Yours in L.O.T.C.S. and Duffel,







Zoom Get Togethers

The Big Bug Berg (B3) has asked for a Zoom Get Together starting Sept 24 at 0700 (Thai Time). The Zoom link is published below, with additional details will be SEPCOR on the 22nd – Mark your calendar and get your updates ready. Look Forward to seeing everyone there. Remember, this is a Commo Check.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81427366093?pwd=N3kyZ2ExSjByTG1DS0tPaGdqK21LUT09



Grand News-Web Hound

Cooties,

Next edition inputs are due by <u>05 November2022</u>

Sure would be nice to post your Pup Tent activities on our website...Like we used to do!

Please submit inputs in the following format

- Arial Font, 11 Pitch
- Single Page (two pages if needing to use charts, etc.).
- Double space after end of sentence punctuation, including colons.
- · Sentences must be single spaced.
- <u>Document Type</u>: Microsoft Word Document (.docx or .doc ONLY) (Please do not send PDFs, rtf, text, e-mail text, notepad, etc.)
- Photos / Graphics: Use JPG, PNG, or GIF, place in line with text on the Word Document, and include a caption or paragraph of who is in the photo and what they are doing. Do not stretch photos to make them fit. I can edit size and crop as necessary. No PDFs.

Date Inputs Due: 5th of the Month (July, September, November, January, March and May)

Date Published: 10th of the Month

Submit ROF inputs

GPANEWSHOUND@gmail.com

NOTE: Please send complete inputs and ask you to not send me 20 photos at 6MB each and ask me to select 2 or three I think are best. Again, I have less than 5 days to edit and format your inputs.

Yours in L.O.T.C.S. and Service.







Cootie Activities Around the World

We all don't know everything but together we can accomplish everything (from the Supreme CDR Dwight Hora)

The MOC Supreme and Auxiliary has a Facebook page (link below)

https://www.facebook.com/MOCSupreme/

Beginning in the new year, the National Home for Children will be renamed

The VFW National Home (Jan 2023)

There will be a ceremony with many MOC areas to support the event

Supreme C of A - to be announced

Tomb Trek – November 4-6, 2022

Reservation information for the Sheraton Pentagon City Hotel is posted on the lotcs.org website. Rooms start at \$109 per night, use the Hotel Mini Code M03 to get MOC Room rate.

Cootie Christmas Party – December 3, 2022

Quality Suites Lansing, Michigan; \$79 per night, be sure to say that you are part of the MOC. Banquet Tickets for Saturday Night (3 Dec) are \$43 per person.

Reservation Deadline is Nov 16, 2022; for all details look on the lotcs.org website.

Cootie Activities Around the Pacific

Zoom get together starting Sept 24 (0700 Thai time). Details will be SEPCOR on the 22nd

Grand CDR is looking at the Grand C of A in December this should be an exciting new twist if all goes well.

Grand of Pacific Areas Announcements

Grand C of A – December 9-11, 2022

Ban Chang Palace Hotel – more information will be released on the DPA Website in October.

LEAVING THE LOCAL AREA OF YOUR PUP TENT? LET YOUR PUP TENT KNOW!





We can't read your minds!! If you are moving away from your Pup Tent area, please be sure to let your Pup Tent know and provide them with your change of address.

Emergency Contact / Medical Information Form

It may be helpful to carry around some additional immediate information for first responders in case you are unconscious, unable to speak, or worse. I made up this card below and carry it in my wallet. I thought this may be a good idea for others too and am sharing here with you: (Cut around outer edge of card below, fold in half, and laminate for durability.)

Emergency Contact / Medical Information

			Medical Conditions / History:
		Religious Faith:	
In an emergency where I am unconscious or unable both sides of this card to know who to contact and to	•	Physicians (Name / Phone):	
Name	Address	_	Current Medications:
City State Zip De Mail: Phone: De		Insurance:	



GRAND PUP TENT NEWSLETTERS/WEBSITE LISTING









If your Pup Tent has a website and/or a newsletter, let me know, provide me with a link or how to receive them and I can list the link or information for you here! Send information to: qpanewshound@qmail.com

These are a few current known websites and newsletters in the Grand of Pacific Areas:

Website: MOC Grand of Pacific Areas www.vfwdeptpacific.org/GMOCDPA/

Website: PT 6 – Maeng Das, VFW District 5 Thailand https://vfwpacificdist5.org/di/vfw/v2/default.asp?pid=67386

Website: PT 8 - Chokum Chingos

https://www.vfw8180.org/puptent/index.html

Website: PT 15 - Mighty Pinatubo, Angeles City, Philippines - VFW Post 2485

Fertile Hunting Grounds for Cooties (gpapuptent15.org)

SEND ME YOUR PUP TENT WEBSITE / NEWSLETTER LINKS!

GPANEWSHOUND@gmail.com

V F W National Home

VFW & AUXILIARY NATIONAL CONVENTION 2022

After two years of canceled or scaled back conventions, it was a welcome relief to gather again with our friends from the VFW and Auxiliary in Kansas City, MO.

It was Executive Director Mike Wilson's first VFW Convention, and he enjoyed the opportunity to meet with VFW and Auxiliary members and to address both audiences at the Convention.



Executive Director, Mike Wilson addresses the VFW

"I am excited to be here and have anticipated this time with you all since accepting this opportunity in January" he told them.

Director Wilson shared the National Home's new mission statement and discussed the priorities and vision of the National Home.

"The VFW National Home assisting military, veterans, and their families with children, by creating a foundation of services and resources to achieve their personal and family goals in order to move forward in a positive, safe, and healthy environment.

Our priorities include:

- Veterans and Families- First and foremost, everything we do must be focused on supporting those who come to us in need.
- Communication- Consistent messaging, and transparency will make our mission easier to maintain as well as increasing overall awareness across the nation of who and how we support those in need.
- Funding To continue, we must prosper, to prosper we must grow, and to grow we must be financially strong.

Our vision is to be a primary source for the VFW and its Auxiliary nation-wide in supporting veterans, military, and their families with our residential support and services.

We will provide local, regional, and national support on campus for our residents, so they don't have to go looking for it.

Ultimately, we want to provide excellent opportunities for our families and staff to grow in a diverse and nurturing environment where everyone is treated with fairness and dignity.



Kids should be kids. We know when mom and dad are suffering the children suffer with them. We want to remove that suffering."



Buddy Poppy Child, Aurora addresses the VFW

And what better way to see the impact of the National Home's program than hearing directly from our Buddy Poppy Child? Buddy Poppy Aurora stole the show this year, telling the audiences all about herself including her favorite subject in school (math), what she wants to be when she grows up (veterinarian), and being all around adorable.

Many attendees couldn't resist when she offered them her Buddy Poppy Pin, because she's as cute as a button in person!

Check out photos from convention on our Flickr album!

MOC PACIFIC AREAS PADDY DADDY PROGRAM

M.O.C. Grand of the Pacific Areas is inviting you to support our Paddy Daddy Program. Applications are available online on the MOC Grand of Pacific Areas website. The Paddy Daddy Application for signing up Comrades, Cooties, Friends, Family, and yes, even your Pets can be signed up!

Please fill out as many applications as you like for a very good cause. Proceeds go to the VFW National Home Special Project. Send the application to me along with a check made out to "Ee CHI GAE Pup Tent #2, in the amount of US\$25.00. Your Certificate, Card and Pin will be mailed to you. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to e-mail:

Yours in Comradeship, L.O.T.C.S.,

Don Kelley





Ee CHI GAE PUP TENT #2 GRAND OF PACIFIC AREAS "PADDY DADDY"

VFW NATIONAL HOME SPECIAL PROJECTS PROGRAM LIFE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name:		-
Address:		-
State/Zip Code:		-
Post/Pup Tent #:		
VFW Dept / MOC Grand:		
Paddy Daddy Chairman:	Donald Kelley PSC 400 Box 6623 APO AP 96273 Tel: 82-10-2442-8938 Email: don@vfw10223.org	

UPDATE!

Submit ROF inputs to:

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See You in the Next Edition

