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**Omniscient** - October 13, 2022, 4:12 pm

The forum section is now closed. The goal award has ended.

Thank you.

**Aeowulf** - October 13, 2022, 7:59 pm

Ah hell. I knew I should have done one when I had the mind to.

I get it though. Nice for everyone with a now-unobtainable award.

**jcole** - October 13, 2022, 8:27 pm

I had ample time to get the award, but felt I hadn't really contributed enough to the community to earn it.

**Zero** - October 13, 2022, 10:42 pm

Damn missed my train. I'll still make one when I feel like it's time. Probably when I mark 10 years.

**DashPHP** - October 14, 2022, 3:17 am

I'm an absolute idiot for holding back on this. Big UGH!

**Koyote** - October 14, 2022, 3:47 am

Ah damn it, I literally posted mine only a few days ago! I'm still doped up on painkillers so read this and thought it was a joke, but now the reality has set in haha. Oh well, nice while it lasted!

**Nas** - October 14, 2022, 8:32 am

(Oct 13, 2022 06:26 PM)xadamxk Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Glad I got it while it existed!

Think it was a cool concept, but manually reviewing them couldn't have been a great process. I was the one who reviewed them for the past few years.

**Blockonome** - October 14, 2022, 8:43 am

Thought about making one for some time, but wanted at least 5 years on HF before making a totally nice one, too sad - Nice to see people having it and it is now a very rare award!

**Upgrader** - October 14, 2022, 10:09 am

I wanted to wait for 6 months :(

Congrats to those who got it!

**Mac Miller** - October 14, 2022, 12:25 pm

Happy I got mine in before this! Is there a reason you closed it?

**Cooligan** - October 14, 2022, 1:16 pm

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**StuffSneak** - October 14, 2022, 3:11 pm

Damn should have made a thread till it lasted. Will probably make a thread in Lounge anyway maybe after a certain point.

**Upgrader** - October 14, 2022, 11:35 pm

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(Oct 14, 2022 11:38 PM)Blazin Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Idk why you didn't go for it either, all you had to do was write a testimonial.

Personally felt weird posting one while still new comparatively, I assume others also had the same view. Doesn't go for [Gary](#) , he's just dumb.

**Ombra** - October 14, 2022, 11:56 pm

Ouch. I was preparing my Testimonial thread for my 10 years spent on HF ?

**Cooligan** - October 14, 2022, 11:57 pm

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My feedback thread if you were curious: (it took me about a month to finish it, all the stats for it and details are in the "Closing Statement" post at the very bottom)

<https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=5155695>

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Yeah it was always a small number of members in that group.

Probably the one group throughout the years that continuously had the least amount of members. That is if you take HJT and MRT out of the picture though.

**Ninja™** - October 15, 2022, 8:46 am

I was waiting to complete the 10-year milestone before posting. lol, it seems that I shouldn't have waited for that.

**Nate** - October 15, 2022, 11:36 am

(Oct 14, 2022 08:32 AM)Nas Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I was the one who reviewed them for the past few years. Damn you must of been on some drugs when you approved mine, i think mine was complete shit

**Upgrader** - October 15, 2022, 11:51 am

(Oct 15, 2022 07:22 AM)xadamxk Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I kinda get that but for everyone else it was out for 5 years.

[Gary](#) smh. I agree

**Nas** - October 15, 2022, 12:36 pm

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You should be happy I didn't start doing it in 2018 because yours was indeed shit.Lmfao see I knew it, god damn what was I typing ??

Tbh I think Sir was approving them before you not sure

**skull** - October 15, 2022, 9:44 pm

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Anyhow, it is what it is.

Is this due to time now that you are the only staff?

**ComponY** - October 16, 2022, 12:24 pm

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**ZuGgY** - October 16, 2022, 3:06 pm

Was fun being a moderator for this section and one of the earlier people to write a testimonial.  
Cheers.

**Omniscient** - October 16, 2022, 3:09 pm

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(Oct 16, 2022 03:18 PM)Zulu Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Just to check, I submitted one a long time ago but it was never reviewed... would I still be valid for the award as it was submitted during the time the award goal was active?  
Sorry but no.

**Game** - October 16, 2022, 3:23 pm

(Oct 16, 2022 03:19 PM)Admin Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Sorry but no.  
That's a shame but fair enough.

Liking the changes being made, nonetheless.

**Nas** - October 16, 2022, 4:24 pm

(Oct 16, 2022 03:18 PM)Zulu Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Just to check, I submitted one a long time ago but it was never reviewed... would I still be valid for the award as it was submitted during the time the award goal was active?  
It was reviewed but denied.

**SecureOp** - October 17, 2022, 5:32 am

Did not expect this to be scrapped, but makes sense with the current changes. Glad I got mine in early.

**skull** - October 17, 2022, 8:58 am

(Oct 16, 2022 03:09 PM)Admin Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I no longer believe this matters.  
Makes sense, the section has plenty of testimonials already.

**The Pact** - October 20, 2022, 12:45 am

This may have been my next award goal. Oh well.

**Cooligan** - October 20, 2022, 10:58 am

(Oct 16, 2022 03:25 PM)Dyne Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Everyones' experience with HF was/is different. I enjoyed reading this section but it steadily became less and less popular.  
I dont believe the testimonials section was ever a "vouch for HF" but a way for members to express their feelings about the impact HF had on their lives, careers and a direction forward. As time progressed, however, I found the majority of those who posted testimonials slowly began distancing themselves from the community they literally just branded and swore allegiance to by posting a testimonial.

Personally, I believe the best testimonial someone can post is simply being moderately active in,

and appreciating, the community that had such an impact on you. I get it; life is busy sometimes, but one time a month to log in and see whats up shouldn't be too much to ask if you really cared.

My opinion is before the Testimonials section you had members making actual feedback threads in the RANF section for others to reply to and engage with. They were always fun to read through and quite interesting at times as well.

For example my feedback thread I made years ago is still to this day by far my largest and most detailed thread ever created on HF.

If you're curious:

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**Confound** - October 30, 2022, 5:27 am

(Oct 13, 2022 04:12 PM)Admin Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) The forum section is now closed. The goal award has ended.

Thank you.

Well, thanks Omni for the great memories. This forum brought back a lot for me right now. Thanks for entrusting me as your first ever moderator of this section. It was a privilege to work with you in the early days and inception of Testimonials. I really enjoyed reading everyone's perspectives and experiences on HF, as all of our members were brought here for such different reasons, yet we all were able to find a home here. It's a really special place. There is no where else like Hack Forums on the internet for me.

(Oct 15, 2022 12:08 AM)Cooligan Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) ComponY was in Red Lions right?

Trying to make sure I'm thinking of the right person. I might be thinking of [Confound](#) though. Yes, he was in Red Lions for a brief time. I ended up leading the group for around 2 years while our owner was away. Unfortunately due to his inactivity, we were forced to shut down. It's a shame, we had a lot of really thoughtful and positive plans for the future as to how to best help and guide the community. We focused a lot of our efforts on making Hack Forums a safe space for new members. Loved my time in the group, and will always hold my time there as a fond memory.

**Cooligan** - October 30, 2022, 6:32 am

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Ahh okay, I knew you used to be a part of it! I still can't help but think there's another member with a username beginning with a "C" that was in Red Lions that I can't remember.

Did you used to have a period at the end of your username by any chance?

Also yes, RL was by far one of the most HQ groups HF has ever seen, a great group filled with great members. It just sucks about well, you know lol. Anyway. I sort of look at the group Lions League as the modern day Red Lions, we have basically the same end goal of wanting to only do right by the community and have that be its main focus. Again, another great group with great members. Definitely became my new HF home when it was made.

**Jinu** - October 30, 2022, 6:53 pm

I just missed it. Let's see If it comes again in the future.

?nxy - October 31, 2022, 6:02 am

I stayed posting on the forum and got the award :)

Jinu - October 31, 2022, 10:00 am

(Oct 14, 2022 11:35 PM)Upgrader Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) What about me ?

I didn't want to do it too early

This award is suitable for people who stay long. This will impact mainly people who missed it including me. It's my fault. Procrastination is too bad.

Hydra - November 1, 2022, 7:47 pm

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RL legacy will never die off; it was a great experience that I don't think can be created by another group anymore. Titans was close but in its own way.

spiral - April 6, 2023, 6:17 am

Sad was just looking for the forum wanted to post one to share how HF impacted my life, hopefully one day will return as I enjoyed reading them from time to time.

Cooligan - April 6, 2023, 6:55 am

(Apr 6, 2023 06:17 AM)spiral Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Sad was just looking for the forum wanted to post one to share how HF impacted my life, hopefully one day will return as I enjoyed reading them from time to time.

Yeah I'm really hoping one day the award makes a return as well, same as the last award goal for it.

Would love to be able to submit one, I legit don't know how I never did all those years. Especially when I really enjoy writing threads.

Nostre - April 6, 2023, 7:08 pm

(Apr 6, 2023 06:17 AM)spiral Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Sad was just looking for the forum wanted to post one to share how HF impacted my life, hopefully one day will return as I enjoyed reading them from time to time.

Sharing a testimonial in The Lounge is fine, and I'm sure everyone would appreciate reading it.

Nostre - April 7, 2023, 10:18 am

(Apr 7, 2023 09:55 AM)-Scrub Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) But then lil bruh doesn't get the nifty award with it.

True, however, if you're not awarded for certain things, you shouldn't be discouraged. One of my favorite types of threads to read is about how HF has contributed to someone's career choice or helped them in their field. Just imagine the impact of writing a testimonial that inspires someone else. That is an award in itself.

spiral - April 8, 2023, 1:35 pm

(Apr 6, 2023 07:08 PM)Genuine Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Sharing a testimonial in The Lounge is fine, and I'm sure everyone would appreciate reading it.

True but it doesn't hit the same as a nice sub forum for them. idc about an award always seen it as an honor to have a thread there.

**Sky** - April 8, 2023, 7:20 pm

(Apr 8, 2023 01:35 PM)spiral Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) True but it doesn't hit the same as a nice sub forum for them. idc about an award always seen it as an honor to have a thread there.

Testimonials are here in the Site News sub-forum.

At least mine was when I searched for it yesterday.