

USF PADD Contests

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Seems to me that I'm not all that good at running contests. Who would have thought?? Heh. Yes, I'm always the last one to know! Haha. And I really thought this one would get some attention, considering many of you like creating new and exciting species/people/villains. To my great disappointment, though, I didn't get any valid submissions.

I suppose, putting a lot of effort into something like that might seem more feasible to do for one's own sim alone. Perhaps it just felt daunting to come up with something that the whole of USF could possibly use, and in the amount of time that was allotted. I assure you all, my co-conspirator, Commodore Booker, and I would have been fully involved in the process of making it work for the whole fleet, once a winner would have been chosen.

In any case, something isn't working either with my approach, the topics, the timing, or who-knows-what. And I'm the first and foremost person that stops after a couple of failures and looks over my track record to analyze what exactly could be changed to make it more appealing.

As always, I'm not about to roll over and just give up. If you thought that, you don't know me very well. There has to be something I can adjust to make this work. Even if it's just once.

I want to show you all how much fun this can be!

Now, I could sit here for a long time, mull stuff over, theorize, and then assume I figured it out. Or I could talk it out with Booker (poor guy), or perhaps others I tap for brainstorming and general advise and/or feedback. And that might work. But I've always been of the opinion that going to the source is the best bet. In this case, it means those who the contest was aimed for would certainly be able to tell me with more honesty and accuracy what exactly kept them from participating than any pondering I could do by myself. So it shall be then.

It definitely hasn't been the first time I've asked for feedback from you, our readers and USF members, and it won't be the last. You've never disappointed with giving valued insights.

So, please take a moment, click on the link below, and answer the two questions in the survey about the PADD contests. It won't take long and I'd be most grateful for your help.

Thank you all!

[Survey: USF PADD Contests](#)
