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Enjoy the books and good luck to all of you this season! Thanks for being a part of something that is very exciting for us.  
-- Pogie and Norm

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