

THE SPIRIT CONSPIRACY

VOLUME 2







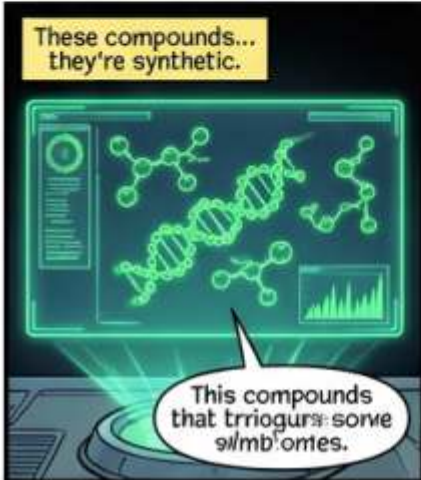
A simple comparison... with impossible results.



That's... not normal.

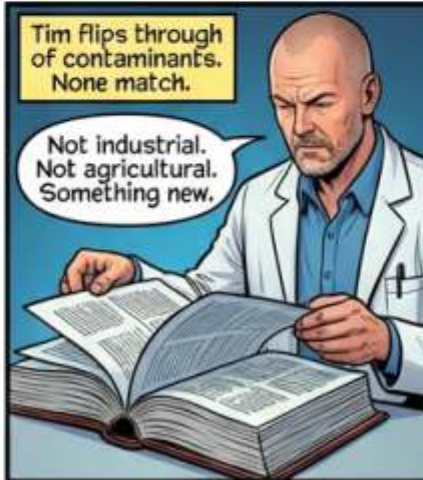


What are you hiding?



These compounds... they're synthetic.

This compounds that triggers some symptoms.



Tim flips through of contaminants. None match.

Not industrial. Not agricultural. Something new.



That's impossible.



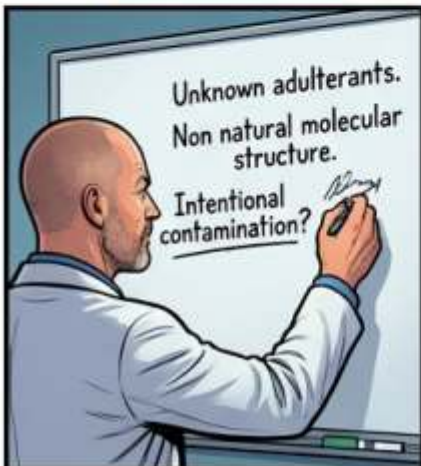
BLUP...
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Okay, okay - calm down.



Someone engineered this.



Unknown adulterants.
Non natural molecular structure.
Intentional contamination?



Someone wants Long Grove's water compromise ... but why?



These adulterants shouldn't exist. Someone is tampering with Long Grove's water supply.

And Tim Kovac has just uncovered the first clue.



A stranger arrives in Long Grove... chasing a story that could change everything.



Small town. Big rumors.



NEWS
Spirit Water Distillery Producing the Purest Purest Spirits in America?



NEWS
Is Long Grove Hiding a Revolutionary Distilling Method?

Let's find out.



Interesting... that's not normal lighting.



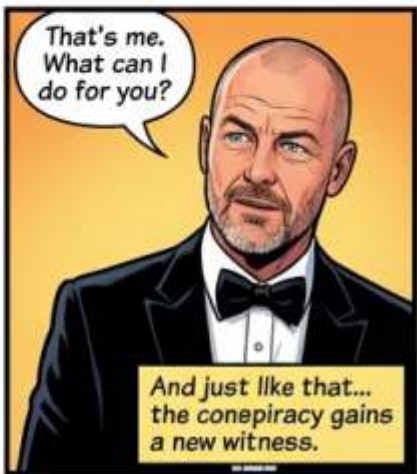
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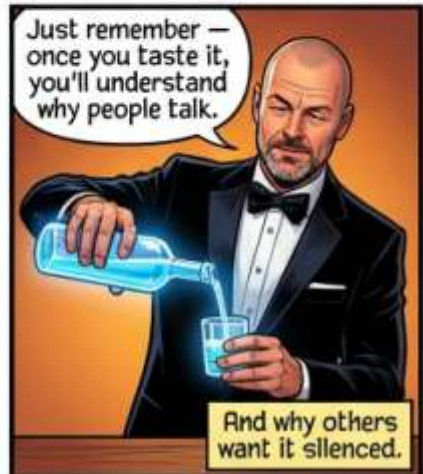


Hi there. I'm looking for Tim Kovac — the Brew Master.



That's me. What can I do for you?

And just like that... the conspiracy gains a new witness.





But shadows move even in peaceful places...



SFX: VRRROOOM...



CLICK...



The mark of the Spirits Syndicate.



Kovac's research is progressing faster than expected.



He's getting too close to the truth.



We warn him. Firmly.

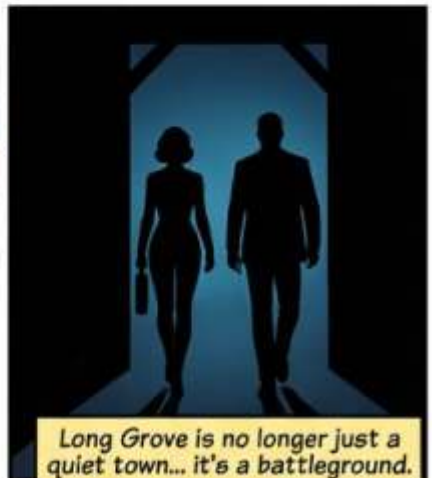
And if he doesn't listen... we escalate.

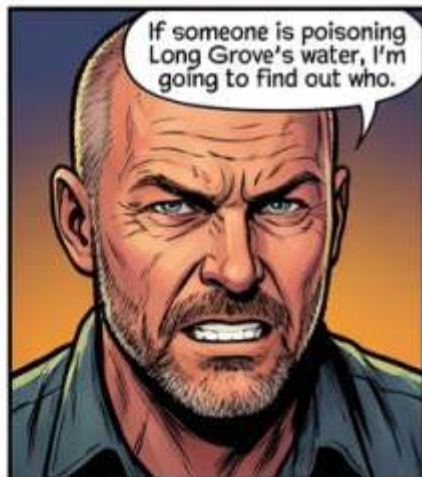


Their mission is clear. Their methods are not gentle.

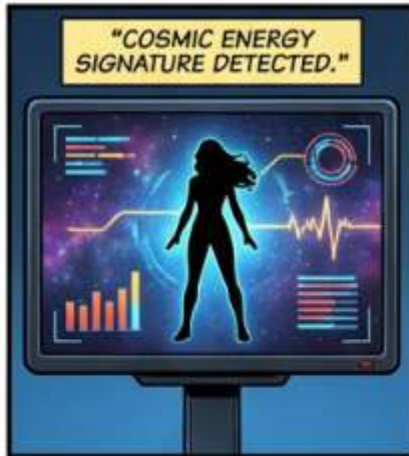


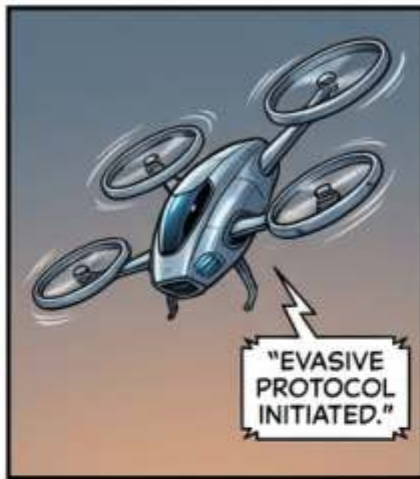
Long Grove is no longer just a quiet town... it's a battleground.













For a moment... silence.



You really didn't hold back.



They started it.



This place... it's everything to me.



I know. That's why I'm here.



But now they know who you are.



Then they know what's coming.



How do I tell her how I feel...?

If only he knew how much I care...



But the night is not as quiet as it seems...



PRIORITY TARGETS CONFIRMED. INITIATE PHASE TWO.

Next Issue — THE SYNDICATE STRIKES BACK.