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a place we
can all be
Heroes.”**



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I COULD HAVE TRIED TO FLY US ALL THERE YOU KNOW.



NO WAY, *HORUS*. NOT GONNA HAPPEN. NOT AFTER OUR LITTLE TRIP OFF THE SIDE OF A BUILDING.

WE DID CATCH UP WITH THE SUSPECT THEN, DID WE NOT?

WHATEVER. THE TRAIN'S FINE.



HEY *SALLY*, IT'S ME. UM...I DUNNO WHERE YOU'VE BEEN, BUT I HOPE EVERYTHING'S OK. GIMME A CALL AS SOON AS YOU GET THIS. BYE.



THAT'S WEIRD. SHE SAID SHE HAD SOMETHING REALLY **IMPORTANT** TO TELL ME AND THEN SHE HASN'T BEEN ANSWERING HER PHONE.

MAYBE SHE FINALLY FOUND A **JOB** AND SHE'S BUSY AT WORK.

YEAH, MAYBE SO.



OUR STOP. WHY HERE? THIS ISN'T PARAGON CITY'S SAFEST NEIGHBORHOOD. IT'S LIKE A **DE-MILITARIZED** GONE OUT HERE.

I REALIZE THAT BUT SHE'S, *QUIRKY*. DEFINITELY QUIRKY.



IS THAT A GOOD THING?

I THINK IT IS IN THIS CASE. SHE CERTAINLY KNOWS THE KIND OF PEOPLE WE'RE LOOKING FOR.



I HOPE SO. I'M STARTING TO LOSE MY PATIENCE.







KAYLA!
GREAT TO SEE
YOU AGAIN.

GOOD TO SEE
YOU TOO BIG
GUY. WHO'RE THE
STIFFS?

HI,
I'M APEX.

WAR WITCH

I'M KAYLA. GOOD
JOB ON THOSE STH
COLUMN MOONS. I MEANT
TO GET 'EM ALL BEFORE
YOU GOT HERE, BUT
YOU'RE EARLY.

YOU KNEW THEY
WERE GOING TO BE
HERE? YOU COULD'VE
WARNED US.

YEAH WELL,
I'M A BUSY
GIRL. I GUESS
IT SLIPPED MY
MIND.

BUT NOW I'M DONE
BEATIN' THE CRAP
OUTTA FASCIST FREAKS
FOR THE DAY, SO WHAT
CAN I DO YOU
FOR?

KAYLA, WE WERE HOPING YOU
KNEW SOMETHING ABOUT VANESSA
DE VORE. SHE'S INVOLVED WITH SOME
UNDERGROUND PARTIES AND
SUCH.

DUDE, YOU
DON'T WANNA
MESS WITH HER.
SHE'S GOT MAD
MOJO.

IT'S IMPORTANT.
WE'RE TRYING TO FIND
ONE OF HER COETERIE
WHO BURNED A DISCO
DOWN. PEOPLE DIED.

YEAH, I
HEARD 'BOUT THAT. YOU
WERE THERE? OK, I KNOW A
GUY WHO KNOWS A GUY NAMED
RAY HANSON WHO MIGHT BE
ABLE TO HELP.

I CAN TAKE YOU
TO HIM, ONLY
PROB IS, NOW HE'S
FREAKSHOW.

30 MINUTES LATER

GOD, I
HATE THESE
GUYS.

YEAH, I'VE
TANGLED WITH
'EM BEFORE.

WHAT'S THEIR
PROBLEM?

THEY'RE PUNK POSERS WHO
CHOP OFF THEIR ARMS AND
SCREW ON ROBO BITS.

NOT TOO COOL
'BOUT HEROES
SNOOPIN'
AROUND.

WHY WILL
THEY HELP
US THEN?

ODDS ARE,
THEY WON'T.

WE'RE GONNA
HAVE TO **BEAT** IT
OUT OF 'EM.

THAT'S BRILLIANT
STRATEGY THERE,
YOU COME UP WITH
THAT ALL BY
YOURSELF?

YUP.

THE GUY WE'RE LOOKIN' FOR
JOINED **FREAKSHOW** TO GET AWAY
FROM THE **CARNIVAL OF SHADOWS**.
THEY'RE TOUGH AND MEAN AND ONLY
UNDERSTAND VIOLENCE. WE NEED
TO SHOW 'EM WE'RE TOUGH
TOO.

LET'S START
WIT' THEM.

HEY!
RUST BUCKETS!
YOU WANT SOME A
THIS?!!



THAT'S SOME
FRIEND YOU GOT
THERE.

YEAH...I DON'T
SEE HER MUCH. SHE
ALWAYS GET ME IN
TROUBLE.



WE SHOULD
PROBABLY HELP
HER OUT...

BRING IT ON YOU
@*#&*&#&!



NICE TO SEE
YOU AGAIN H.



THIS WAS NOT THE
SMARTEST PLAN.

THIS WAS
JUST PLAIN
STUPID.

SO WE
SHOULD FEEL
RIGHT AT
HOME.





AND WHEN WE'RE
INSIDE, THEY'LL JUST
KILL US RIGHT?

NO!
NOT IF WE SHOW
'EM WHO'S *BOSS*.



THEY
DON'T SEEM
IMPRESSED.

OK, *KAYLA*,
SHOW 'EM
WHO'S *BOSS*.
GO AHEAD.



WHO THE HELL'S
IN CHARGE HERE?



THAT'D BE
ME, LITTLE
MOPPET.

WHAT D'YA
WANT?

ON SECOND
THOUGHT, I
COULDN'T CARE
LESS.

*KILL
'EM.*



WHAT???



GIVE ME TEN SECONDS TO EXPLAIN!

I'LL GIVE YOU FIVE.

FOUR...



THAT THING YOU'RE STANDING ON IS AN **FPG-1080 FUSION GENERATOR** BASED ON CAPTURED **RIKTI** TECHNOLOGY.

UH-HUH, *SO*. IT'S NOT EVEN HOOKED UP YET.



MY FRIEND THERE HAS THE POWER TO FREEZE THINGS BELOW **-50 DEGREES CELSIUS** IN AN INSTANT, EVEN THROUGH THE BULLET PROOF CASING ON THIS **GENERATOR**.



TIME'S UP **PROFESSOR**. BOYS, LET'S TEAR...



THE **FPG-1080** MODEL HAS POOR INSULATION. WHEN **RIKTI** POWER CORES REACH A TEMPERATURE OF **-58 DEGREES CELSIUS** THEY REACT **BADLY**.

WHADDYA MEAN "BADLY?"



THE RESULTING EXPLOSION WOULD WIPE OUT THIS ENTIRE COMPOUND IN A FRACTION OF A SECOND.



WE JUST WANT TO TALK WITH **RAY HANSON** FOR TEN MINUTES AND THEN WE'RE **GONE**.

FIVE MINUTES. *GO*.



IF ANY ONE OF YOU *WORMS* USED TO BE RAY HANSON, COME TALK TO THESE *JERKS* IN *TIGHTS*!

IF THEY'RE NOT GONE IN FIVE MINUTES, *KILL 'EM*.



FAST THINKING *HOKUS*!

IS THAT TRUE ABOUT THE *GENERATOR*?

YEAH, GIVE OR TAKE A *HUNDRED DEGREES*.

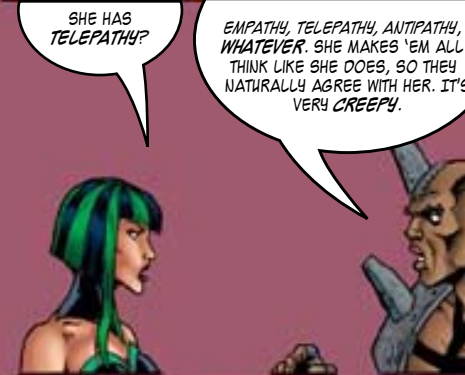


KAYLA, WHAT THE *HELL*?

NO TIME FOR *KISSES* RAY. I NEED YOU TO SPILL EVERYTHING ABOUT THE *CARNIVAL OF SHADOWS*. *NOW*.



YOU DON'T WANNA MESS WITH THEM KAY. THAT VANESSA DEVORE - SHE GETS INSIDE YOUR *HEAD* MAN. SHE *CONTROLS* YOU.



SHE HAS *TELEPATHY*?

EMPATHY, TELEPATHY, ANTIPATHY, *WHATEVER*. SHE MAKES 'EM ALL THINK LIKE SHE DOES, SO THEY NATURALLY AGREE WITH HER. IT'S VERY *CREEPY*.



THAT'S WHY I GOT OUT AND HAD THIS *CHIP* PUT IN MY *HEAD* - IT BLOCKS HER. UNLESS YOU WANT ONE TOO, LEAVE HER BE.



JUST TELL ME WHERE TO FIND HER.



IT'S YOUR *FUNERAL*. SHE'S GOT A PENTHOUSE APARTMENT IN THE *CASEY BUILDING*, BUT LIKE I SAY, A *MIND* IS A TERRIBLE THING TO WASTE.

THANKS. WE'RE OUTTA HERE.



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I HEAR
MADONNA OWNS
AN APARTMENT IN THIS
BUILDING.

TOO BAD KAYLA
WOULDN'T COME
ALONG, SHE **LOVES**
MADONNA.



WHAT IS WRONG WITH
YOU TWO? COME ON,
LET'S DO THIS.

WHAT? I
THOUGHT YOU
LIKED
MADONNA.

SHE'S IN
LONDON NOW
ANYWAY.



HOW DO YOU KNOW
THAT? IF SHE'S
HERE, SHE MIGHT
GET HURT OR...

I SAW IT ON HER
WEB SITE THIS
MORNING OK?

WHAT, YOU
CHECK EVERY
DAY?

I'M A FAN.
SHUT UP.



LET'S GET OUR **FREAKING**
HEADS IN THE GAME

GAME ON.

I'M NOT GONNA
GET **SCHOOLED**
AGAIN. GET ME IN A
ROOM WITH VANESSA
DEVORE AND I'LL
TAKE IT FROM THERE.



TEAM, LOOKS
LIKE COMPANY,
THE **KINKY** KIND
APPARENTLY.



YOU'VE
BEEN
EXPECTED.

BUT THAT DOESN'T
MEAN YOU'RE
WELCOME.

NOT
WELCOME AT
ALL.

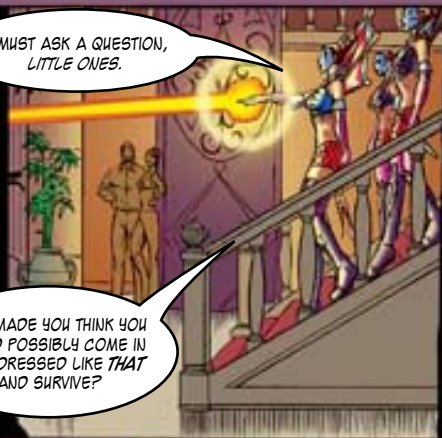






I MUST ASK A QUESTION,
LITTLE ONES.

WHAT MADE YOU THINK YOU
COULD POSSIBLY COME IN
HERE DRESSED LIKE *THAT*
AND SURVIVE?



OH VANESSA DARLING,
MIGHT I HAVE THE HONOR?
THE *CUTE* ONE AND I HAD A
MOMENT ONCE.



OH REALLY? IS HE
SOME LOVESICK PUPPY,
COME LOOKING FOR
ATTENTION?

SADLY NO.
HE'S MERELY THE
WITCH'S LITTLE
LAPDOG.



THIS ONE WAS ESPECIALLY
RUDE. SHE SET FIRE TO MY
SOIREE LAST NIGHT. WHILE
WEARING A *WORSE* OUTFIT, IF
YOU CAN IMAGINE.



AND THEN, DEAR LORD,
THERE'S THE HAIR. I CAN'T
SEND SOMEONE TO THEIR
GRAVE WITH HAIR LIKE THIS!



JUST A QUICK TRIM
DARLING. NOW *DON'T*
MOVE, OR IT WON'T BE
STRAIGHT.



IT'S NICE THAT I COULD
HELP YOU GET YOUR *PETTY*
REVENGE ON THESE *PETTY*
HEROES, HILLARY

BUT I GROW
BORED.

I'M SORRY VANESSA.
PLEASE FORGIVE
ME.

SHOULD I
BUT THEM
NOW?



AND STAIN MY
FLOORS? I
THINK NOT.

I'LL SIMPLY
TURN OFF THEIR
BRAINS. INSTANT
ANEURYSM.



WAIT!!!
THERE'S A *TRAITOR*
HERE!!!

OH MY!



IT *SPEAKS*. OR
RATHER *SHOWS*

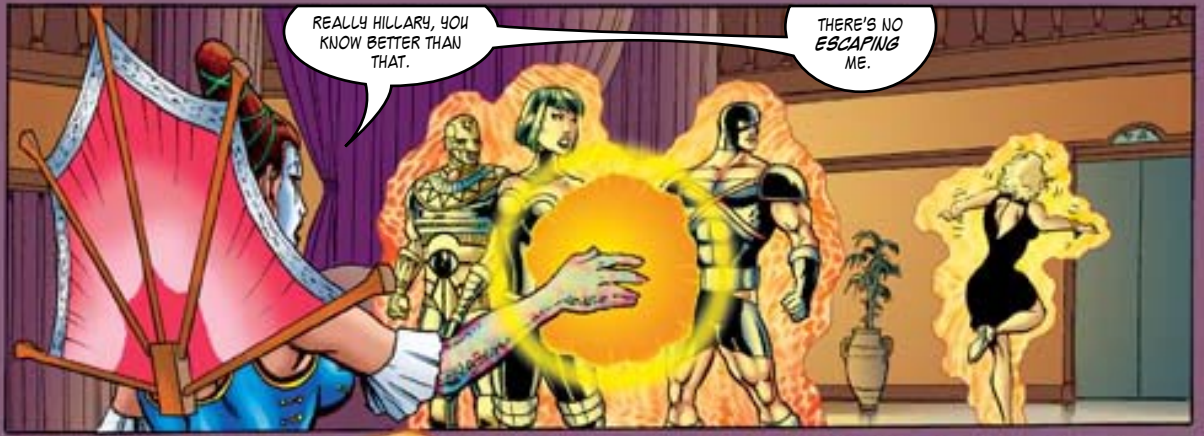
NO, I DON'T
THINK I WILL
WAIT.



I KNOW
ABOUT *HILLARY*!
I KNOW ABOUT HER
PLANS!



PLANS?
HILLARY HAS
NO *PLANS*. THERE'S
NOT A THOUGHT IN
HER *PETTY* HEAD
I DIDN'T HAVE
FIRST.







ANYONE EVER TELL YOU THAT...

YOU TALK TOO MUCH!



I DON'T THINK SHE'S DEAD.

TOO BAD...



WOW...THAT'S NOT GOING TO FEEL GOOD WHEN SHE WAKES UP.

SHE'S NOT WAKING UP.

CLARISSA, NO, YOU CAN'T...



YOU'VE HAD YOUR FUN CHILDREN. SHE'S MY CONCERN NOW.

AFTER I PICK YOUR BRAINS A LITTLE AND FIND OUT HOW YOU LEARNED OF HILLARY'S DULICITY, I'M LETTING YOU GO HOME.



NOW WAIT A SECOND, NO ONE'S LOOKING IN MY HEAD FOR...



TA TA.



OH CRUD... WHAT HAPPENED?

SHE ZAPPED US.

I FEEL WOOSY...



HEY, IT'S OUR BUILDING! SHE BROUGHT US HOME...

HOLY COW, IT'S BEEN SIX HOURS!

GREAT. WHO KNOWS WHAT SHE DID TO US.

LET'S GET INSIDE.



NO SENSE WORRYING ABOUT IT NOW.

I'M JUST WORRIED ABOUT WHAT SHE PULLED FROM MY BRAIN.



HEY THERE **BIG BROTHER!** WHERE'VE YOU BEEN?

OMIGOD! SALLY, WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE?



SURPRISE! I'VE GOT A JOB INTERVIEW HERE IN **PARAGON CITY!**

CAN I STAY WITH YOU GUYS?



OK CLARISSA?

WHATEVER. I'M TOO TIRED TO CARE.

WITH OUR LUCK, SHE'S NOT **REAL** - JUST A **FAKE** MEMORY VANESSA IMPLANTED.



SORRY...IT'S BEEN A ROUGH DAY.

I GUESS SO.

I WANT TO HEAR ALL ABOUT IT.

NEXT ISSUE: **JURY DUTY**

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