

PARAGON CITY: THE CITY OF HEROES! THE ONLY PLACE IN THE WORLD WHERE THE HERO-TO-PROBLEM RATIO IS ALMOST ONE-TO-ONE. IF YOU NEED A HERO IN THIS CITY, YOU JUST HAVE TO LOOK AROUND THE CORNER.

BUT NOT ALL HEROES ARE THE SAME. SOME ARE MORE MERCENARY THAN THE OTHERS. BUT THERE ARE SOME WHO SEE THE CALLING AS A SIGN OF BRIGHTER DAYS AHEAD FOR ALL MANKIND. THESE ARE THE HEROES WHO FIGHT FOR SOMETHING BETTER. THEY ARE THE...

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NAME: CAPTAIN PARAGONNA

REAL NAME: STEVIE WALKER-RODGERS

STATUS: REGISTERED SUPERHERO/SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR -PARAGON CITY POLICE

ARCHETYPE: SCRAPPER

PRIMARY POWER:

SECONDARY POWER: WILLPOWER

In 1931, a masked vigilante who called himself **Statesman** declared a one-man war on organized crime in Paragon City.

Soon others followed his lead. Men and women who had one thing in common... a desire to see justice serviced and criminals put behind bars.

In 1932, Statesman organized the heroes into a group called the Freedom Phalanx, an organization that is still around today.

Since then, Paragon City has become known as **The City of Heroes**, a place where heroes of various origins and powers are welcomed to help keep the streets safe and make the city itself a safer place to be.

But not everyone was happy with the number of heroes in the city. Some firmly believe that the job of fighting crime should be left entirely to the people trained in doing it. Some in the police force began to bridge the gap between registered heroes and trained police officers on their own, leading to Paragon City's first "super-cop", Blue Steel.

Not being content with just one active hero on the police force. Paragon City Police soon instituted an experimental program that would create a new superhero law enforcer...

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Captain Paragonna Sued by Ex-Husband

(Paragon City) Unnamed sources in the Paragon City Police Department have confirmed that their sponsored superhero, Captain Paragonna, has been served with court papers to address charges that she has been derelict on child support payments. The identity of the costumed hero remains confidential (Continued on page 2)

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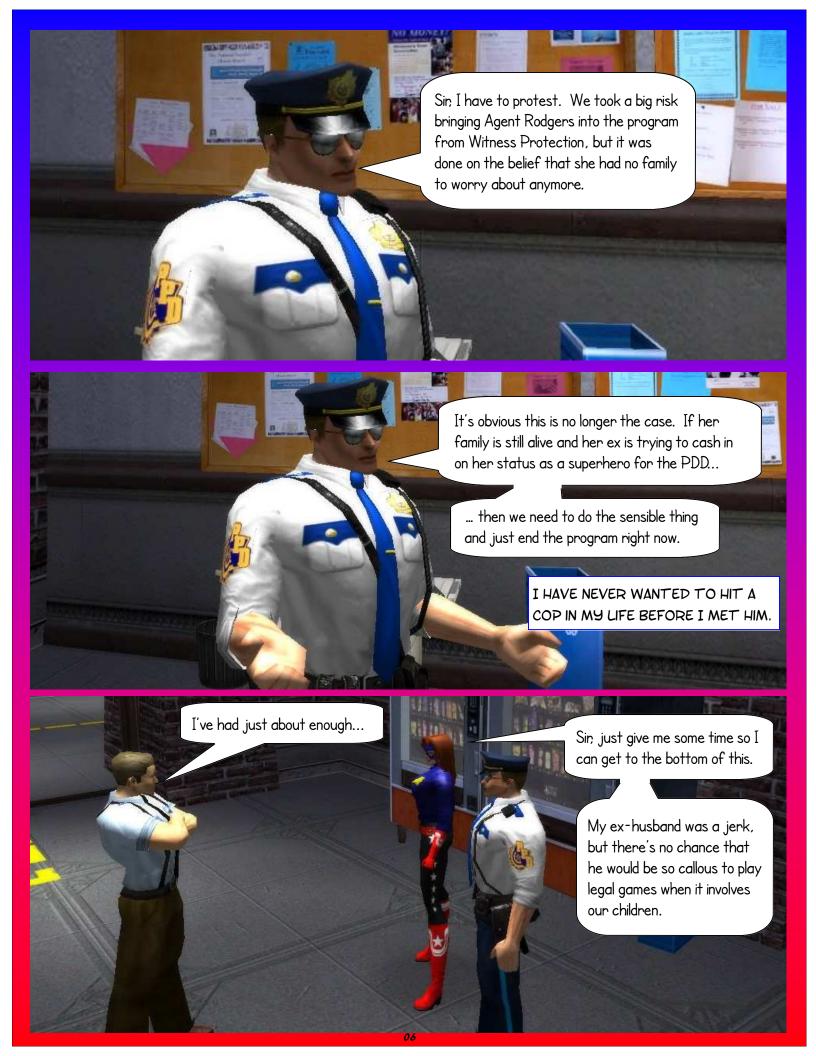
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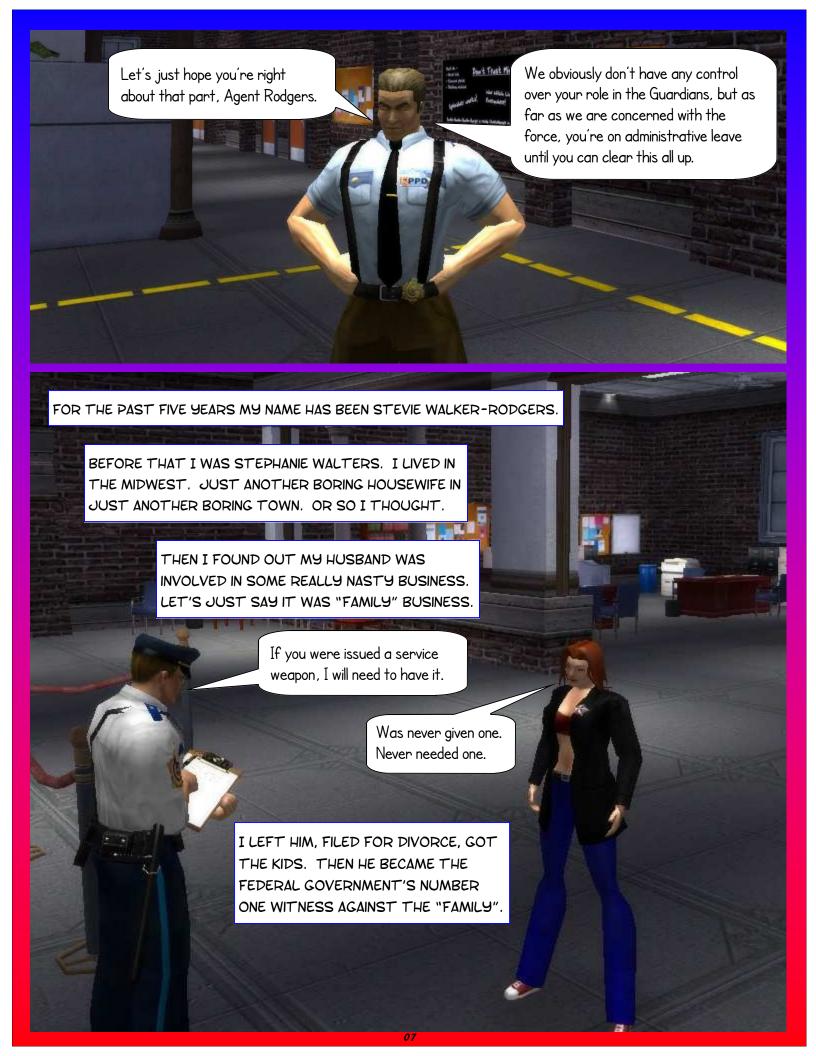
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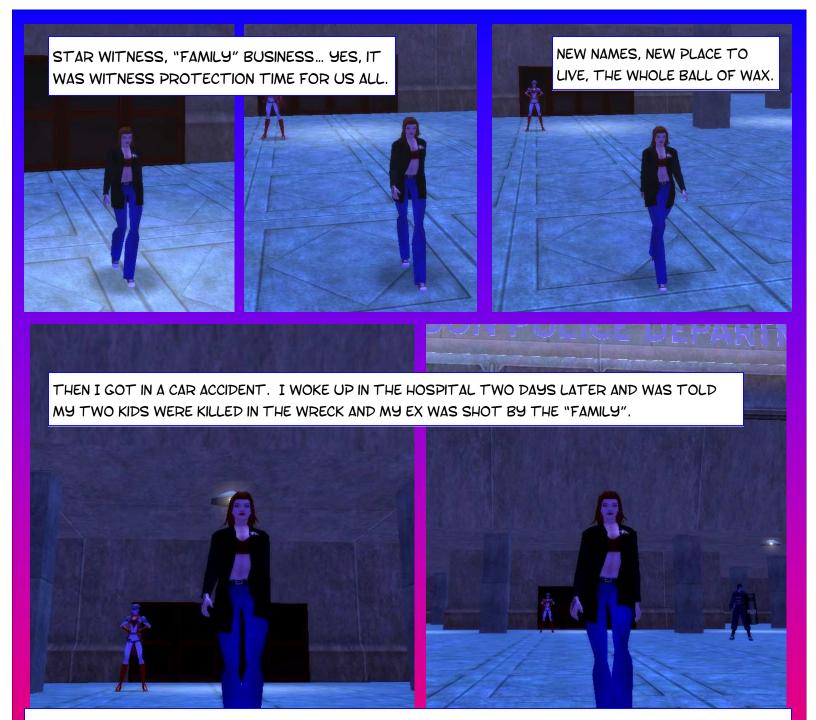
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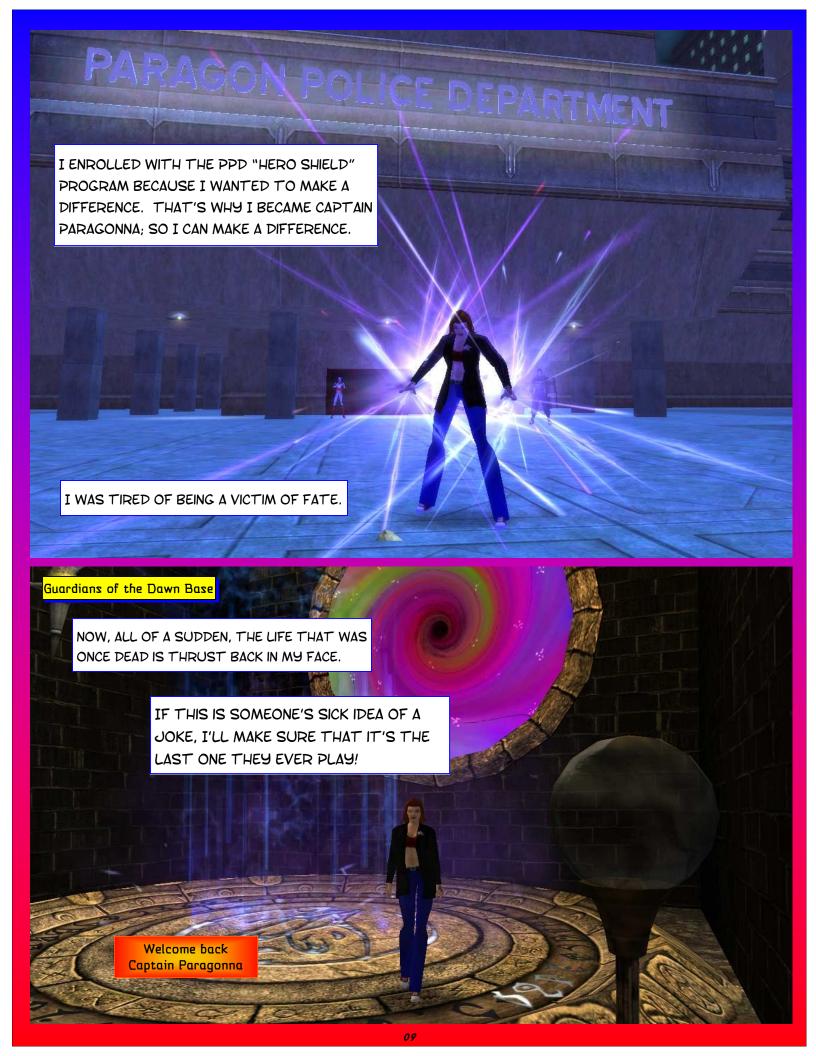




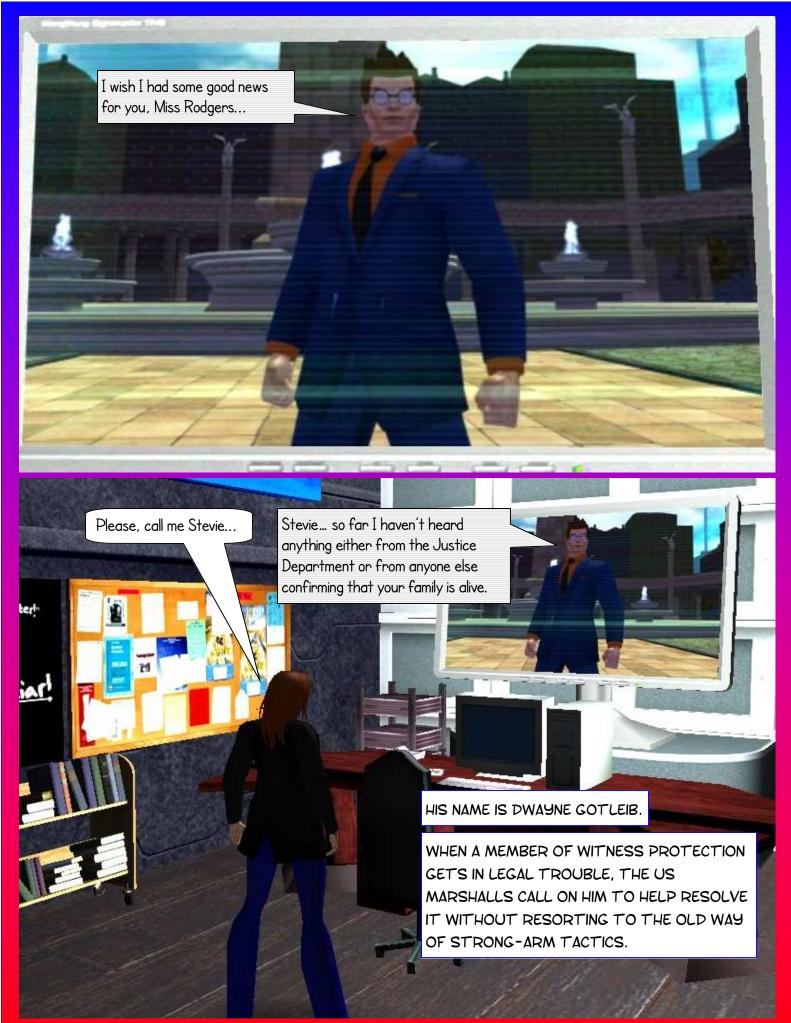
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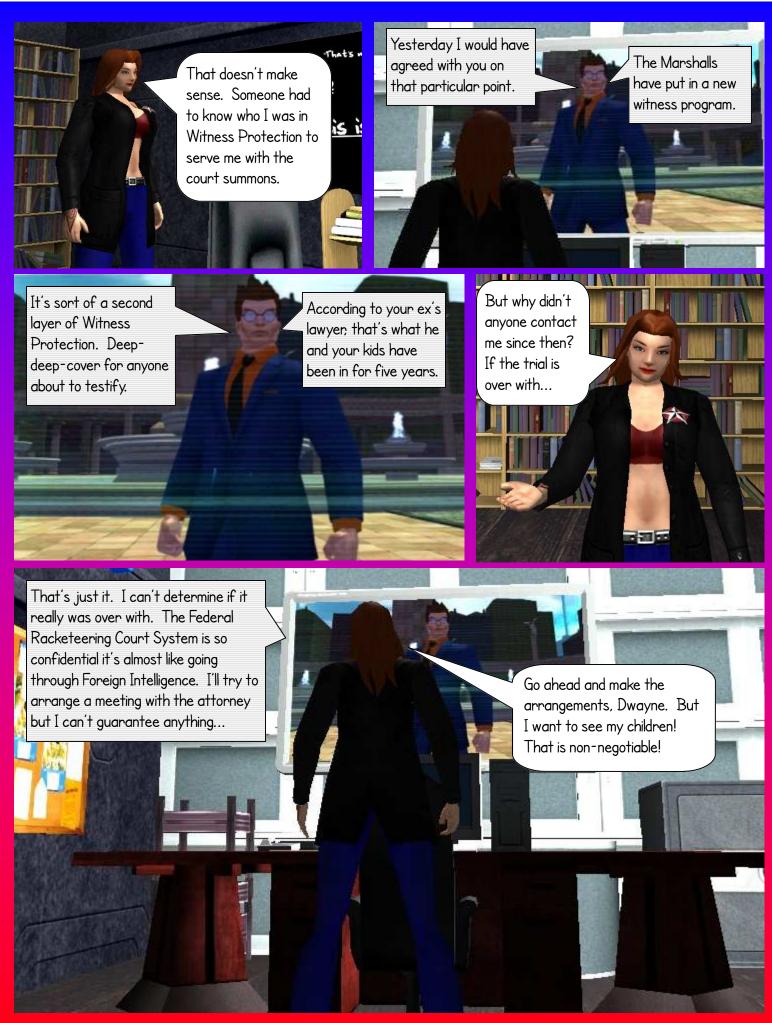




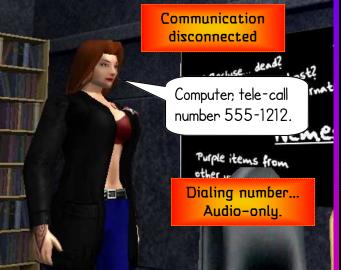








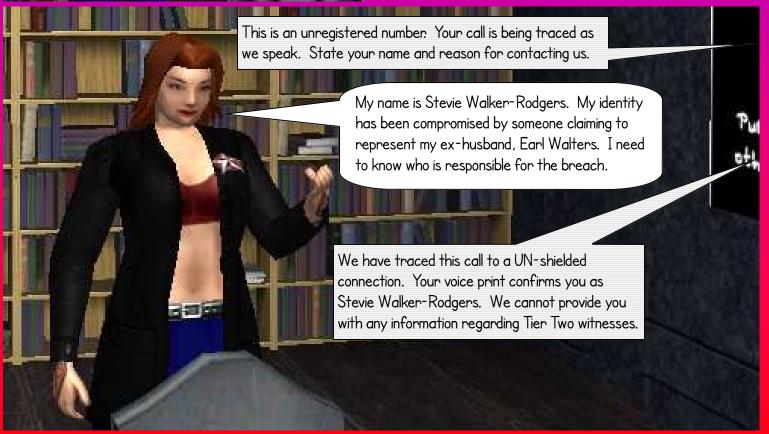


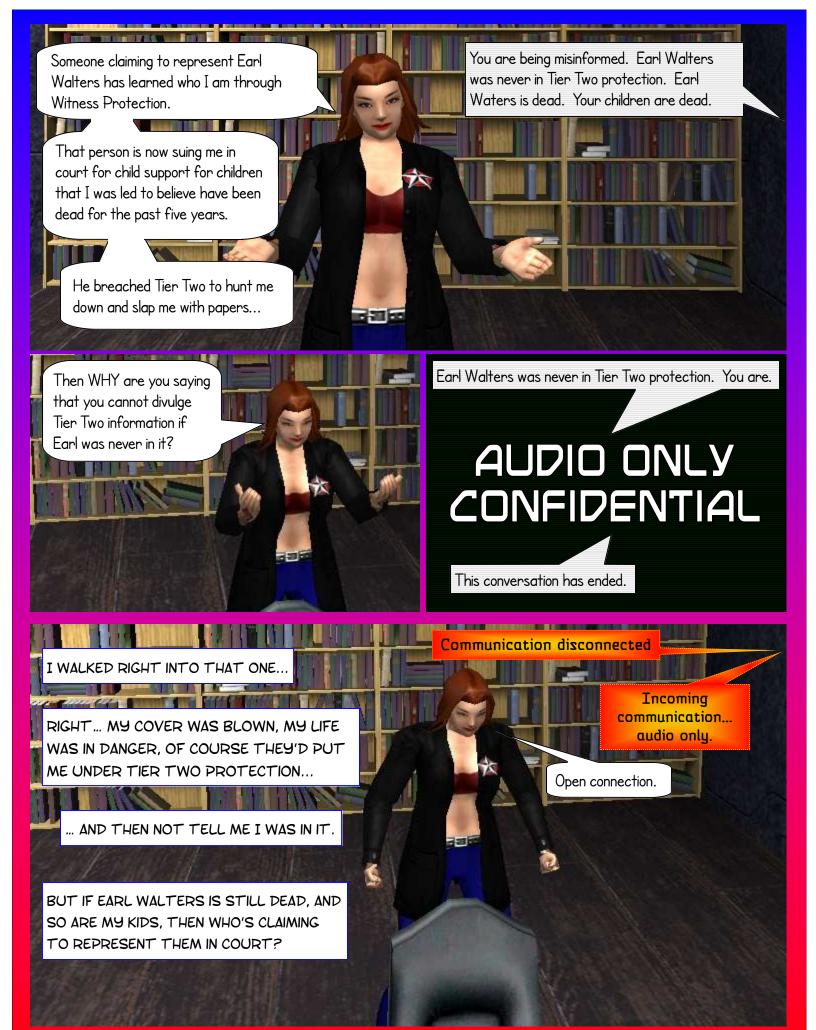


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Please hold...





Mom? Mom is that you?

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IT ... IT CAN'T BE!



I really miss you too, baby. I've missed you and your brother all this time... if I knew that...

Mrs. Walters, we'll get right to the point. You wanted to know if your children are alive.
They are. And so is your ex-husband.
Whether or not you get to see them will depend entirely on what you decide to do next.

I swear, if you hurt them...

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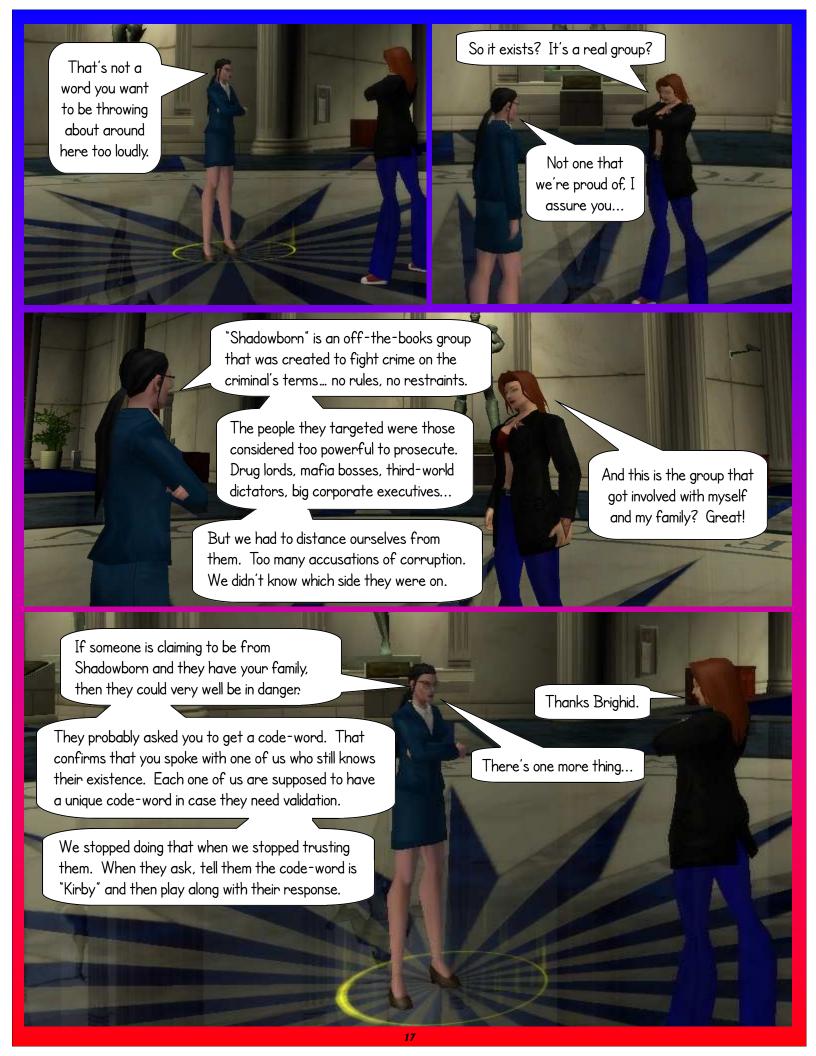
Spare us the theatrics, Mrs. Walters. We know of your "double life" as a superhero. Your threats are empty.

We do want to reunite you with your family, but your current status as a superhero makes that difficult. Check with your hero contacts in Atlas Park for a program called "Shadowborn" and ask for a code-word. We'll be in touch afterwards.

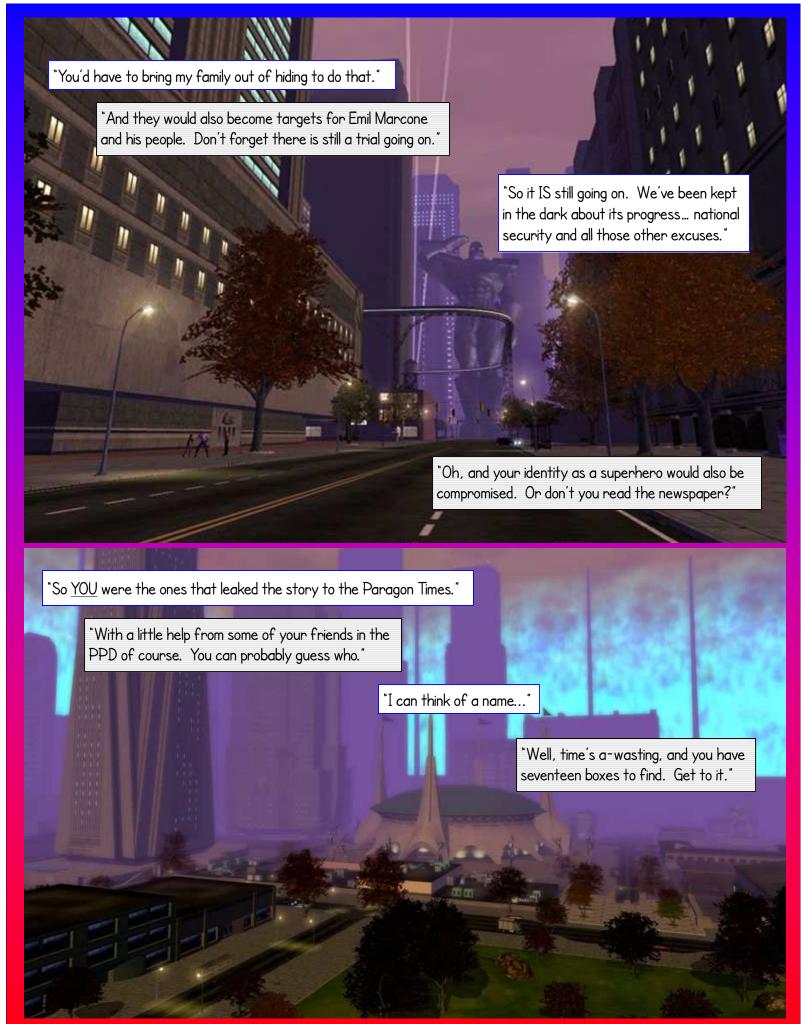
Oh, and this needs to be kept strictly between us. None of your Guardian friends, especially **MidKnight X**, should know about this.

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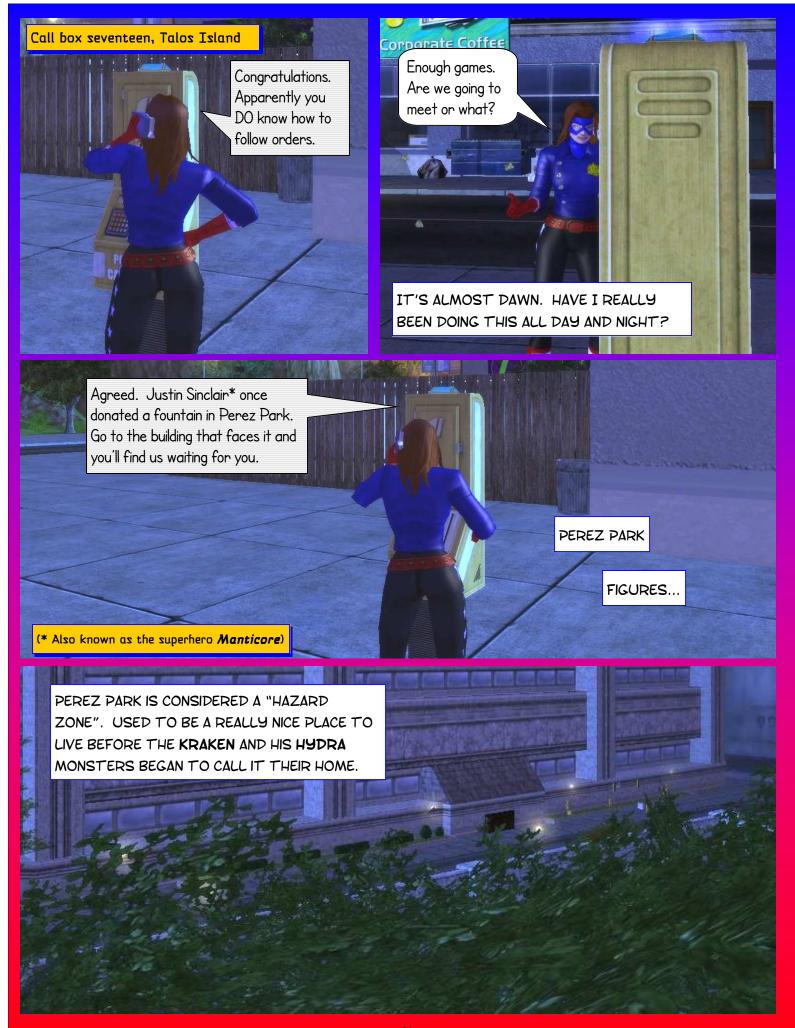


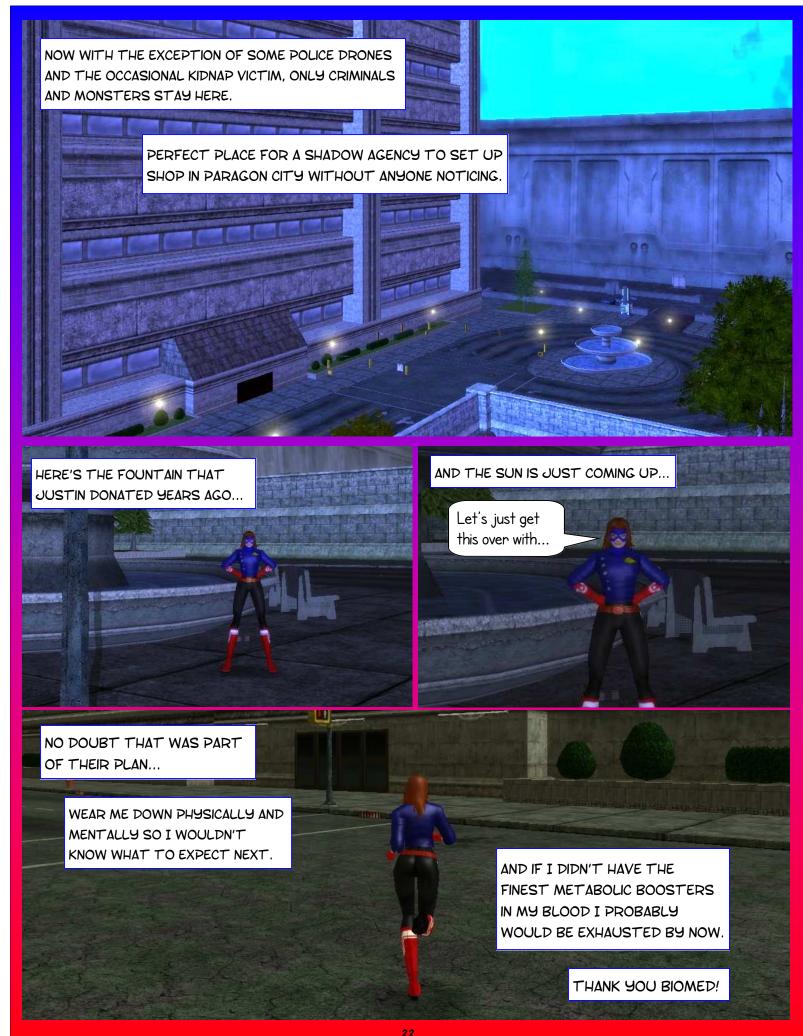














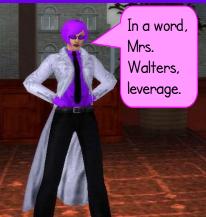








Why the charade? Why the lawsuit? Why bring my family into this? What does Shadowborn want with me?



Sometimes we have to make deals that we're not proud of to get someone on the inside to help us.



A member of the Family heard about Tier Two and needed to know we had the leverage to give them what they want.

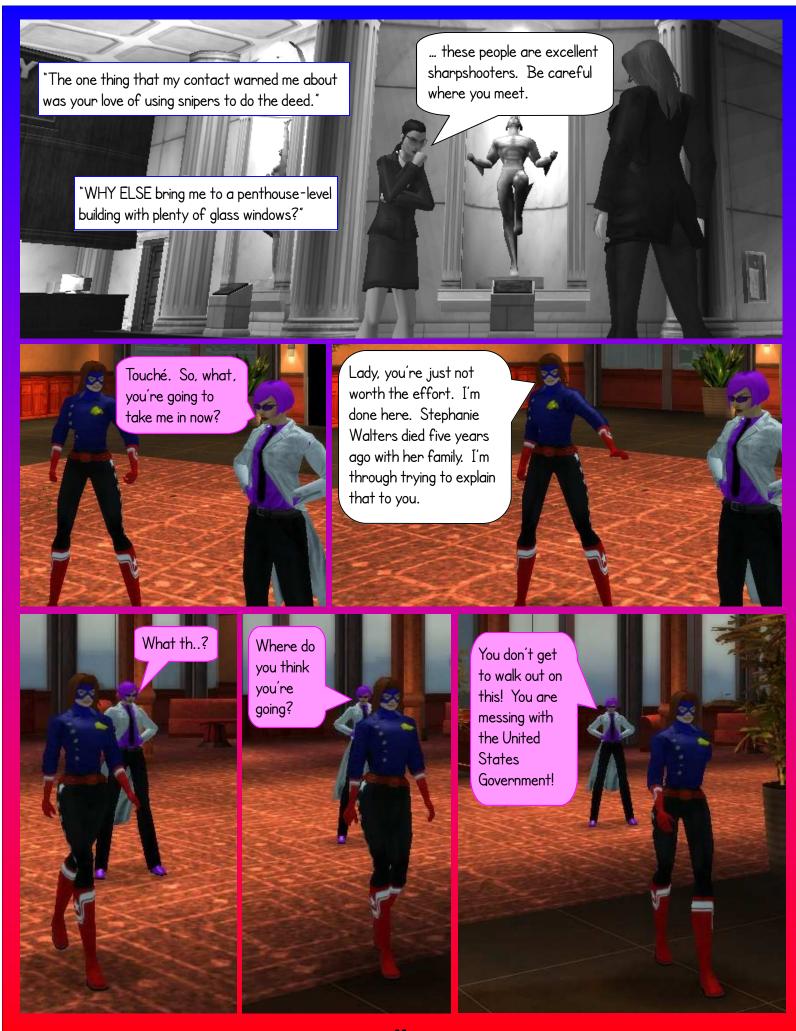
Your name came up because the person on the inside remembered your ex-husband. He said your death would bring him over: Sorry lady, but I ain't buying it. It's not a matter of what you are willing to accept.

This is a business arrangement. We promised to deliver Mrs. Walters to our contact and that's what we are going to do.











WHEN A GOVERNMENT AGENCY GOES ROGUE, THE GOVERNMENT TAKES CARE OF ITS OWN.

DON'T ASK HOW. YOU DON'T WANT TO KNOW HOW. JUST KNOW THAT THEY DO.

THE MARSHALLS WILL TAKE CARE OF THE REST. THEY'LL ARREST THE MOB MEMBERS, STRAIGHTEN OUT PAPERWORK, GET THE LAWSUIT DISMISSED, AND MAKE SURE THE REST OF SHADOWBORN IS DISMANTLED.

SHADOWBORN IS DEAD... JUST LIKE STEPHANIE WALTERS DIED FIVE YEARS AGO.



Tier Two security has been restored. The rogue operative has been found. The lawsuit has been dismissed and your current identity is secure once again.

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Thank you for your assistance.





The Paragon Time

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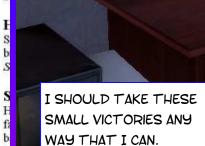
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ARSON PROBE WIDENS AS MORE BUILDINGS BURN!



Former Developer Says Hellions Paid To Torch

THE RETRACTION WASN'T ON PAGE ONE, BUT AT LEAST IT DID MAKE THE PAPER.









That doesn't mean that you can threaten to punch his lights out because he decided to leak something to the media. You know how this game is played.















GURRDIAN





Words of wisdom from writer and creator David 2.

Let there be... DAYLIGHT!

Sorry... it's been almost a whole month of the **Halloween Event** and its 24-hour darkness, and that really was really a drag for me as a comic creator, especially with bright and sunny characters to work with.

There have been a few changes here...and in Paragon City. The first obvious one is a matter of **WALKING**.. This has been a long-time pet peeve for comic creators like myself. Everyone in the city (and in the Rogue Isles too) either are standing still, sitting down, jumping, flying, teleporting, or RUNNING. The civilians can walk, of course. The bad guys too. But the heroes can only RUN. Thankfully that has been corrected. And who better to demonstrate it than someone with the curves?

That brings up an interesting point about my uniquely original character... Captain Paragonna.

Okay, you're thinking "A female Captain America", right? Only for the colors.

When she started out, shields were not-yet an option. **Blue Steel** was the only exception. (Oh, here's a little hero-fact: Blue Steel was originally supposed to be called "Blue Shield" until someone realized there's an insurance company with that name.) So no shield for Captain Paragonna. (Or at least not for THIS incarnation.)

The original design of Captain Paragonna was an all-tight bodysuit of black-and-blue with red gloves, boots, and belt. Full mask too, not even hair. It didn't last. Thankfully it didn't last. A black-and-blue version of a Longbow agent didn't look good.

What actually inspired me was another woman who wore something similar to the current design. Big leather jacket, skin-tight pants, brown hair, loves to kick butt...

Yup, that was Sandra Bullock's character in "Demolition Man". Now do you see the resemblance?

There have been a few more changes to this comic series since I wrapped up the "Guardian Exiles" series. The most obvious ones are the change in fonts and the change in the page layouts. And those come courtesy of the little **CCC** symbol you see on the cover.

The CCC stand for "City of Comic Creators", a group of artists who

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dedicate their time, effort, and energy transforming the City of Heroes into a veritable fanmade comic book store. They continue the tradition that was once picked up by mainstream comic book publishers.

Now "City of Heroes" actually had TWO comic book series when it started. The first was published by Blue King Studios, and it dealt with original characters in the City of Heroes, including War Witch. The second series was published by Top Cow, and it focused primarily on the Freedom Phalanx, but on occasion with the Vindicators and Vanguard. After that, though, the task was passed to the fans, and artists like Chase Arcanum actually ended up writing guides that got recognized by NCSoft. All of these are available at the City of Heroes website in the "Media" section under "Official Comic Archive".

I am honored to be a new member of the City of Comic Creators, and not only getting some valuable feedback from them, but also working with them on projects. Hopefully you'll see the Guardians in one of the CCC projects soon.

The other big news is there is now an official website for the Guardians of the Dawn supergroup.

The address is: http://GuardiansOfTheDawn.wordpress.com

This is where you'll find all of the issues, including "Issue 0" (the text story that started it all), as well as the synopsis about the group itself and its members. You'll also find easy links to the CCC and a few other choice websites to visit. And when a membership drive does get started, this is where you'll be able to go to sign up.

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The Libertarian Avenger

Dispensing justice one arrow at a time...

