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THEY NEED HEALTH.

THEY NEED RESTORATION.

THEY NEED...



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From another time and from another world, Galatea Future arrived in the world of the Champions to do the one thing she tried so desperately to avoid before... to live.

It's not easy, though, when you're over a thousand years old and suddenly you're given a new life in more ways than one. Life is literally starting over again for her, and yet she is still doing what she does best: serving humanity as...

# FUTURE'S GUARDIAN

## "BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS"

- A CHAMPIONS ONLINE STORY BY DAVID 2

IN THE MONTHS SINCE GALATEA FUTURE RETURNED TO MILLENNIUM CITY, HER PROGRESS WAS SHADOWED BY SEVERAL PEOPLE.

ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE IS STARLETT, A SWORD-WIELDING "LEGAL VIGILANTE" EAGER TO GET THE ATTENTION OF THE CITY'S GUARDIAN BUT SOMEHOW ISN'T ABLE TO.

SO WHAT HAPPENS WHEN SHE GETS THE WRONG KIND OF ATTENTION?

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OH GOD  
IT HURTS!

IT HURTS  
WORSE THAN  
ANYTHING  
I'VE EVER  
FELT BEFORE!

OH I'VE BEEN  
BEATEN BEFORE...  
PLENTY OF TIMES!

BUT I'M AFRAID THAT  
THIS TIME I MAY NOT  
BE ABLE TO WALK  
AWAY FROM IT.

AND I DON'T KNOW  
WHAT'S WORSE...

DYING? OR DYING  
KNOWING THAT I  
FAILED?

WESTSIDE - MILLENNIUM CITY, MI.

EARLIER THAT DAY...

CARL'S GYM

UGH...

I HATE WAKING UP  
ON THE COUCH...

NEVER MIND THE  
COUCH OF A  
CONFERENCE  
ROOM.

I REALLY NEED TO GET MY OWN PLACE INSTEAD OF SLEEPING IN THE GYM.

BUT I SPENT MOST OF MY INITIAL MONEY ON A PERSONAL JETPACK.

AND BEING A SO-CALLED "LEGAL VIGILANTE" DOESN'T REALLY PAY MUCH.

I'VE DONE WORSE, THOUGH.

IT'S ACTUALLY SAFER HERE THAN WHEN I STAYED AT SOME OF THE HOTELS IN HOLLYWOOD!

STARLETT  
STREET VIGILANTE

PLUS I GET A LOCKER FOR MY SPARE CLOTHES, HOT SHOWERS, AND LAUNDRY SERVICE.

AND FREE FOOD... ALBEIT LEFTOVERS FROM YESTERDAY.

HUMMUS WRAPS? SERIOUSLY?

A QUICK SHOWER, A CHANGE OF LINGERIE, RECHARGE MY JETPACK AND ELECTRO-BLADE, AND I'M READY TO START THE DAY AGAIN.

THE GLAMOROUS LIFE OF A STREET VIGILANTE!



DOWNTOWN

"I WANT TO  
HEAR IT..."

"COME ON  
CANDACE... EVERY  
WRITER GOES  
THROUGH IT AT  
SOME POINT..."

THE PENTHOUSE OF ATHENA ROSE FAIRMORE

YES, BUT NOT EVERY  
BEST-SELLING  
WRITER CAN FLY AND  
BEND STEEL WITH HER  
BARE HANDS.

COME ON, SAY IT...  
YOU KNOW YOU  
WANT TO SAY IT...

\*SIGH\* FINE!

I'M A SUPERHERO AND I  
HAVE WRITER'S CRAMP!  
HAPPY?

VERY.

SO WHEN'S THE  
DEADLINE FOR  
THIS BOOK?

I HAVE ANOTHER MONTH BEFORE  
THE PUBLISHERS START  
CALLING, BUT GIVEN THE SALES  
OF "DEPTH OF DESPAIR", I  
DON'T THINK THEY'D BE BROKE  
IF "SHATTERED LIVES" IS A  
LITTLE LATE.

ATHENA ROSE FAIRMORE  
AKA: GALATEA FUTURE

THEY'RE PUBLISHERS,  
'TAYA. THEY ALWAYS  
LIVE FOR THE NEXT  
BOOK.

OKAY, SO PRESUMING  
THIS ISN'T THE FIRST  
TIME, WHAT DO YOU  
NORMALLY DO TO GET  
UN-CRAMPED?

WHEN I WAS IN THE  
CANADIAN  
WILDERNESS, I USED  
TO DO A WALKABOUT  
TO CLEAR MY HEAD.

OF COURSE THERE  
WASN'T MUCH UP THERE  
OTHER THAN SNOW,  
TREES, AND THE  
OCCASIONAL YETI.

THERE'S A LOT MORE THINGS  
GOING ON HERE IN MILLENNIUM  
CITY TO INSPIRE ME.

I UNDERSTAND THAT MAYOR  
BISSEL IS HAVING A  
POLITICAL RALLY LATER TODAY.

MAYBE I SHOULD HEAD ON OVER  
THERE... YOU KNOW, AS ATHENA...  
AND HEAR WHAT HE HAS TO SAY.

\*LIGHT\* 'TAYA, CALVIN  
BISSEL HAS A POLITICAL  
RALLY PRACTICALLY EVERY  
OTHER WEEK!

IT'S LIKE HE'S ALWAYS  
RUNNING FOR HIS JOB!

SERIOUSLY, IT'S JUST NOT  
WORTH SHOWING UP FOR!

I DON'T KNOW, CAN... HE DID GIVE ME A HERO'S WELCOME WHEN I FIRST ARRIVED HERE AFTER THE QUILARR INVASION. HE EVEN GAVE ME THE KEY TO THE CITY.\*

THAT SORT OF STUFF IS HARD TO IGNORE.

HEY, HOW ABOUT YOU MEET ME THERE AND WE'LL DO LUNCH?

OHHHH... WOULD LOVE TO...

IN FACT I'LL BE NOT FAR FROM THE RALLY...

\* HE REALLY DID, BACK IN "THE LOST ADVENTURES OF GALATEA FUTURE" #1, AVAILABLE THROUGH BATTLEROCK COMICS!)

CITY HALL - CITY CENTER

BUT I'LL BE BUSY ALL DAY TODAY.

I HAVE THREE CASES GOING TO TRIAL.

THREE?!

WELL THAT EXPLAINS WHY YOU'VE BEEN BUSY IN THE OFFICE!

EXACTLY, AND YOU KNOW FIRST-HAND HOW INVOLVED I GET IN THESE CASES, SO IT'S GOING TO BE A LOOOONG DAY!

 CANDACE SINCLAIR  
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

BUT PROMISE ME THIS, OKAY?  
PROMISE ME THAT NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS, YOU DON'T DO ANYTHING THAT MAKES IT LOOK LIKE YOU'RE ENDORSING BISELLE'S CAMPAIGN.

I MEAN AS EITHER GALATEA FUTURE OR ATHENA!

TRUST ME, YOU DON'T NEED THAT KIND OF ATTENTION RIGHT NOW.

I TRY NOT TO GET INVOLVED WITH POLITICS ANYWAY, AS A HERO OR A CIVILIAN.

BELIEVE ME, I'VE SEEN POLITICAL SYSTEMS ON OTHER WORLDS THAT MAKE THE ONES HERE LOOK TAME!

JUST PROMISE ME THAT, OKAY?  
FOR MY SAKE AND SANITY?

I PROMISE.  
GIVE 'EM HELL IN THE COURTROOM, CAN.

THANKS.  
AND TRY TO ENJOY YOUR WALKABOUT TODAY.

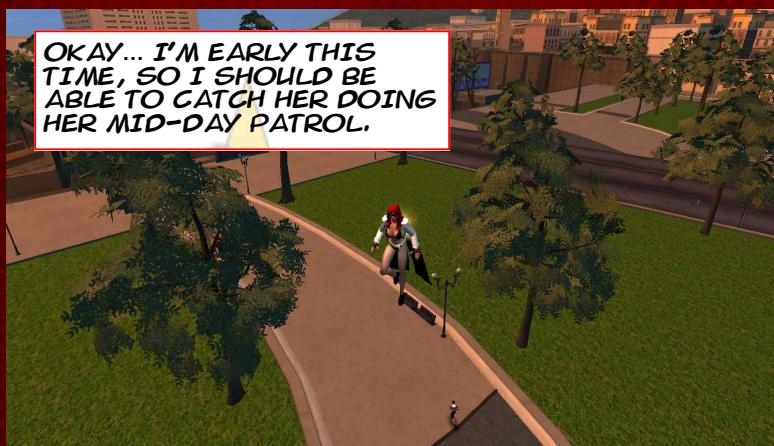
A FEW HOURS LATER...



LOVE THIS JETPACK!



OKAY... I'M EARLY THIS TIME, SO I SHOULD BE ABLE TO CATCH HER DOING HER MID-DAY PATROL.



UNLESS... SHE DID IT EARLY?



'EY! YOU HEARD HIM!

HOLD ON THAT...



YOU PAY US OR WE'LL GOUGE YER EYES OUT!

SOMEONE NEEDS TO BE TAKEN DOWN A FEW NOTCHES.



THE "NEW PURPLE GANG"...



THEY'RE WESTSIDE'S "MAFIA" GROUP.

PROTECTION RACKETS,  
LOAN SHARKING,  
ARSON, THEFT,  
PROSTITUTION,  
MURDER-FOR-HIRE...  
EVERYTHING EXCEPT DRUG-DEALING.

HIYA BOYS...



OF COURSE NOBODY ASKS WHAT HAPPENED TO THE "OLD PURPLE GANG", OR IF THERE EVEN WAS SUCH A GROUP.

I THOUGHT YOU GUYS  
WERE BAD, BUT THIS  
TAKES THE CAKE!

YOU REALLY EXPECT  
PEOPLE TO PAY YOU  
JUST SO THEY CAN LOOK  
TOWARDS WESTSIDE?

WE DON'T EXPECT  
ANYONE TO LIKE  
WHAT WE DO...

... JUST SO LONG  
AS THEY PAY US.

THE NEW PURPLE GANG OWNS  
WESTSIDE.

AND WHEN WE OWN SOMETHING,  
WE OWN EVERYTHING ABOUT IT,  
INCLUDING WHETHER OR NOT  
PEOPLE GET TO SEE IT!

THINK OF IT AS A "TOURISM TAX".

BUT WE HAVEN'T  
FORGOTTEN ABOUT  
WHAT YOU'VE BEEN  
DOING IN LITTLE  
ITALY, STEPPING IN  
ON OUR PROTECTION  
BUSINESS THERE.\*

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THIS IS YOUR  
ONLY WARNING.  
YOU BACK DOWN  
OR WE BUST UP  
THAT SEXY BODY  
OF YOURS.

I GUESS THIS IS  
THE PART WHERE  
I'M SUPPOSED  
TO BE SCARED  
FOR MY LIFE.

I MEAN, YOU SOUND  
SO SERIOUS WHEN  
YOU THREATEN MY  
"SEXY BODY" LIKE  
YOU DID!

BUT SINCE  
THERE'S ONLY  
FOUR OF YOU,  
I HAVE A  
BETTER IDEA...

HOW ABOUT WE  
SKIP THE WHOLE  
WAITING-UNTIL-  
LATER PART AND I  
JUST KICK YOUR  
PURPLE @SSES  
RIGHT HERE AND  
RIGHT NOW?





**"IT IS MY PLEASURE  
TO INTRODUCE THE  
MAN THAT HAS LED  
THIS CITY THROUGH  
MANY A DARK DAY  
AND BACK INTO THE  
LIGHT."**

"THE MAN WHO HELPED US ALL RISE UP FROM THE ASHES OF WHAT WAS ONCE DETROIT AND INTO THE NEW CITY OF THE 21ST CENTURY!"

"THE MAN THAT WELCOMED  
ALL HEROES AND WORKS  
SIDE-BY-SIDE WITH THEM  
FOR THE BETTERMENT OF  
THIS CITY!"

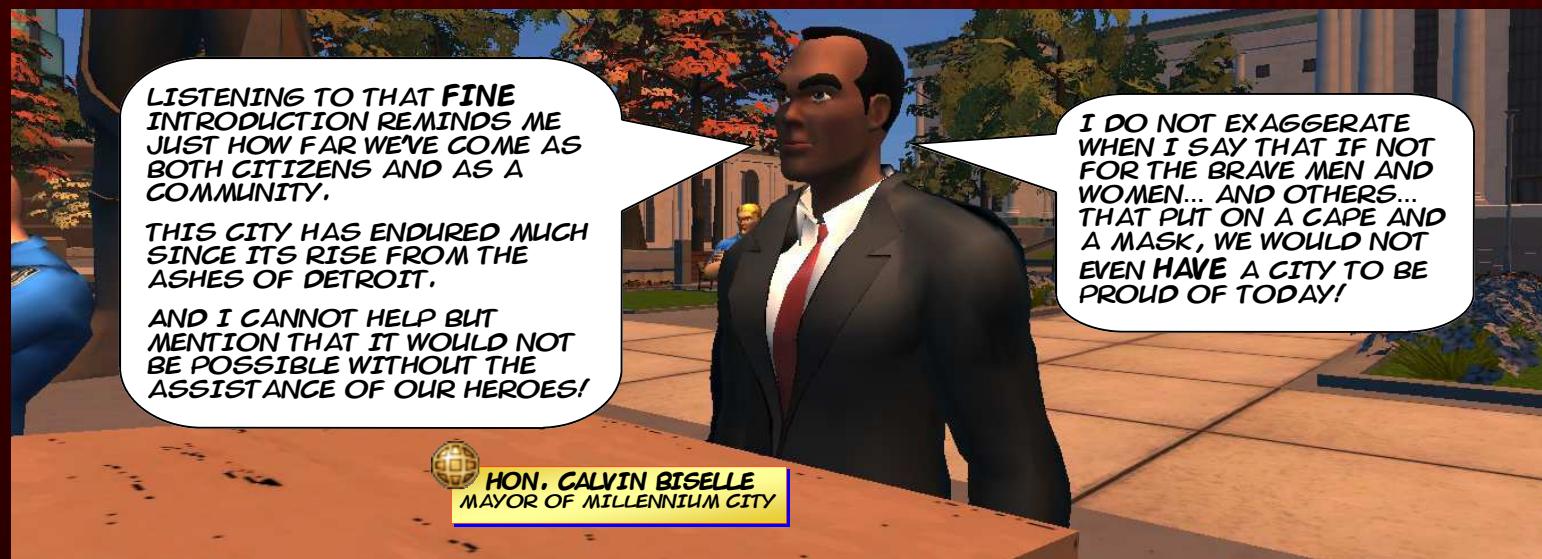
"THE MAN THAT HAS STOOD UP TO THE QILARR, THE LEMURIANS, AND EVEN THE UNDEAD ARMIES OF TAKOFANES..."



"MY MAYOR AND  
YOURS... THE  
**HONORABLE**  
**CALVIN BISSELLE!"**

THANK YOU!  
THANK YOU ALL  
FOR COMING  
HERE TODAY!

A close-up shot of a person's hand clapping. The word "CLAP!" is repeated in a rhythmic pattern across the entire width of the frame, suggesting a continuous action or a group activity.



**LISTENING TO THAT FINE INTRODUCTION REMINDS ME JUST HOW FAR WE'VE COME AS BOTH CITIZENS AND AS A COMMUNITY.**

**THIS CITY HAS ENDURED MUCH  
SINCE ITS RISE FROM THE  
ASHES OF DETROIT.**

AND I CANNOT HELP BUT  
MENTION THAT IT WOULD NOT  
BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE  
ASSISTANCE OF OUR HEROES!

I DO NOT EXAGGERATE  
WHEN I SAY THAT IF NOT  
FOR THE BRAVE MEN AND  
WOMEN... AND OTHERS...  
THAT PUT ON A CAPE AND  
A MASK, WE WOULD NOT  
EVEN HAVE A CITY TO BE  
PROUD OF TODAY!

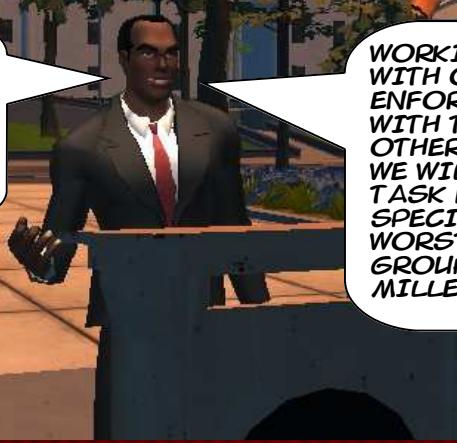


HON. CALVIN BISSEL  
MAYOR OF MILLENNIUM CITY



AND YET, FOR ALL THAT WE'VE DONE WHILE I'VE BEEN YOUR MAYOR, THERE IS STILL MUCH MORE THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE.

WE CANNOT EXPECT THIS CITY TO PROSPER IF IT IS HINDERED BY THE FEAR AND THE THREAT OF ORGANIZED CRIMINAL GROUPS.



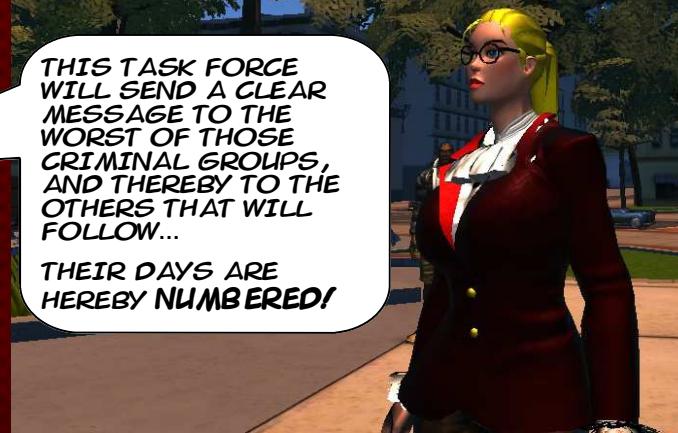
WHICH IS WHY I AM PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE WILL BE LAUNCHING A BOLD NEW STEP IN CLEANING UP OUR STREETS OF CRIME!



WORKING IN CONNECTION WITH OUR TOP LAW ENFORCEMENT GROUPS AND WITH THE CHAMPIONS AND OTHER SUPERHERO GROUPS, WE WILL LAUNCH A BOLD NEW TASK FORCE THAT WILL SPECIFICALLY TARGET THE WORST OF THE CRIMINAL GROUPS OPERATING IN MILLENNIUM CITY.



FOR FAR TOO LONG, CRIMINAL GROUPS LIKE ARGENT, VIPER, AND THE NEW PURPLE GANG HAVE BEEN USING THEIR NUMBERS TO OVERWHELM AND INTIMIDATE EVEN OUR POLICE OFFICERS.

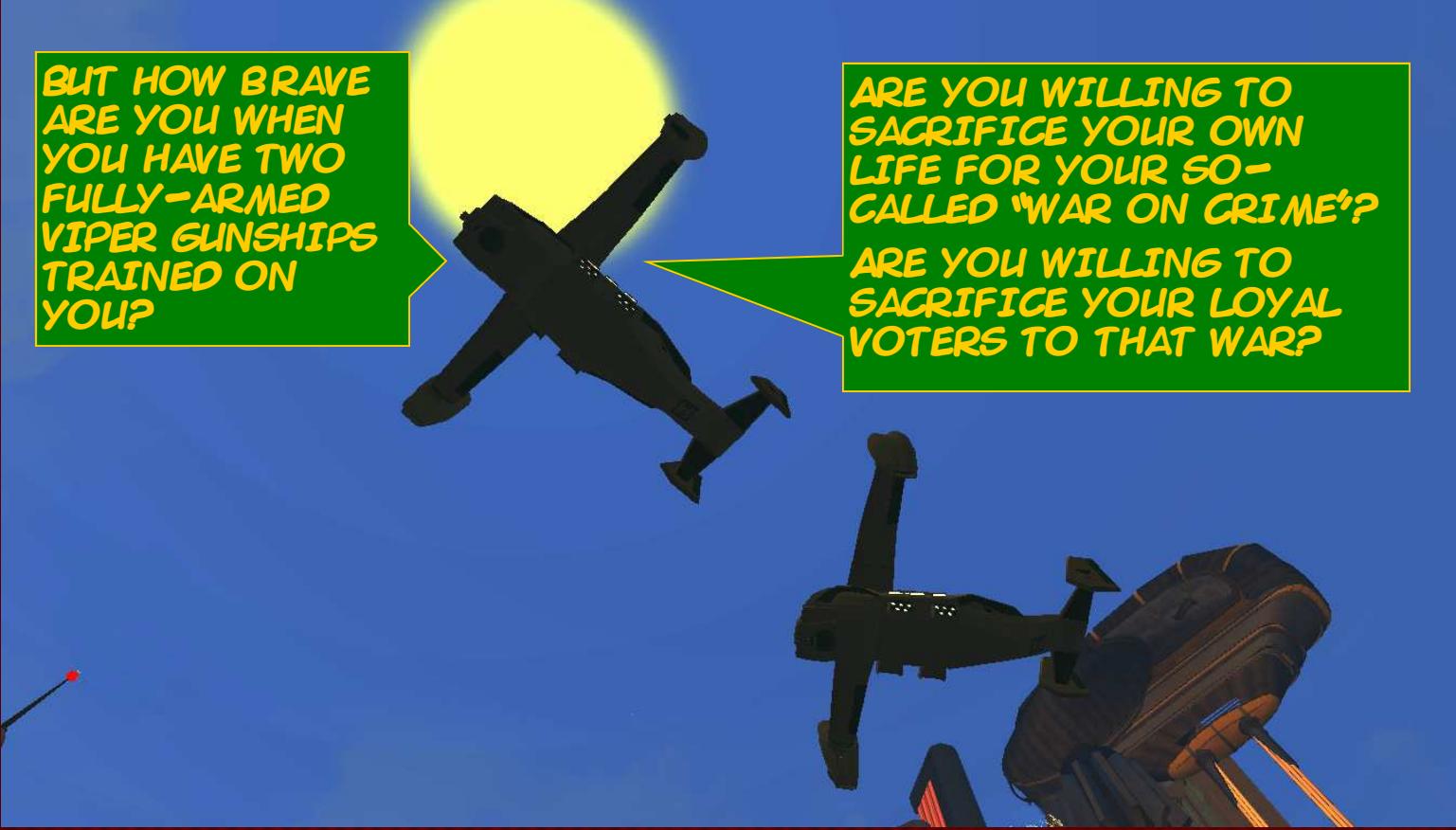


THIS TASK FORCE WILL SEND A CLEAR MESSAGE TO THE WORST OF THOSE CRIMINAL GROUPS, AND THEREBY TO THE OTHERS THAT WILL FOLLOW...

THEIR DAYS ARE HEREBY NUMBERED!



MAYOR CALVIN BISSELLE!  
YOU LIKE TO TALK TOUGH ABOUT CRIME...



BUT HOW BRAVE  
ARE YOU WHEN  
YOU HAVE TWO  
FULLY-ARMED  
VIPER GUNSHIPS  
TRAINED ON  
YOU?

ARE YOU WILLING TO  
SACRIFICE YOUR OWN  
LIFE FOR YOUR SO-  
CALLED "WAR ON CRIME"?  
ARE YOU WILLING TO  
SACRIFICE YOUR LOYAL  
VOTERS TO THAT WAR?











OH I CAN MANAGE ON MY OWN, THANK YOU FOR ASKING.

HOWEVER, THIS SOCRATES TERMINAL... CAN IT TELL ME WHERE GALATEA LIVES? OR MAYBE POINT ME TO SOME OF HER ASSOCIATES?

I... WOULD NOT WANT TO BURDEN HER WITH MY BUSINESS IF SHE IS ALREADY INDISPOSED.

THAT'S NOT REALLY HOW THE SOCRATES DATABASE WORKS.

THE DATABASE ONLY HAS BASIC INFORMATION ABOUT A HERO.

IT DOESN'T GIVE OUT PERSONAL DATA ABOUT WHERE THEY LIVE.

I MEAN, I SUPPOSE IF YOU WANTED TO GET IN TOUCH WITH HER, YOU COULD FIND HER ATTORNEY...

I THINK HER NAME IS... CANDACE SINCLAIR?

BUT, HEY, I'M SURE GALATEA COULD USE SOME HELP WITH VIPER!

HOWEVER, YOU HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY HELPFUL IN POINTING ME TOWARDS WHOM I SHOULD SEEK OUT NEXT.

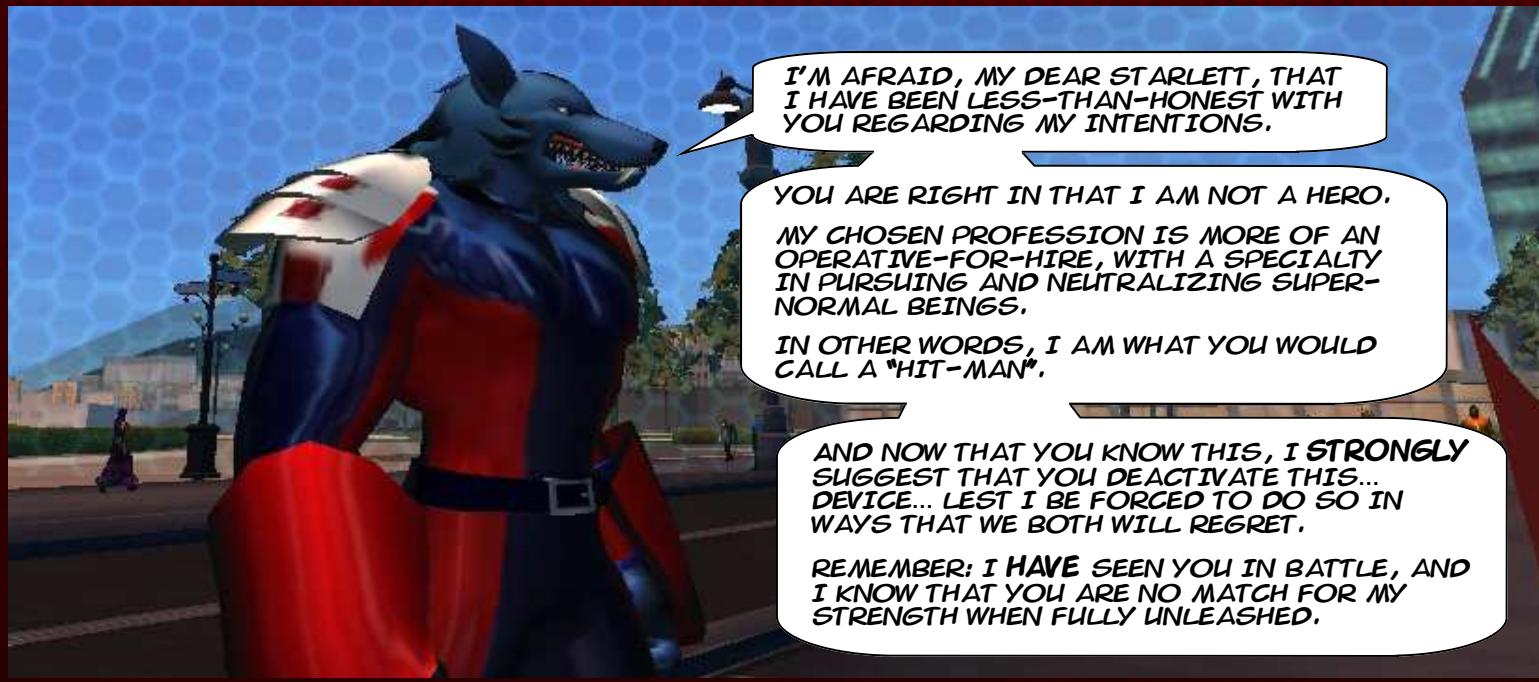
THANK YOU, BUT I MUST DECLINE YOUR SUGGESTION OF ASSISTANCE.

I CANNOT GET INVOLVED WITH LOCAL MATTERS AT THIS TIME.

YES, THIS CANDACE SINCLAIR... I'LL HAVE TO PAY HER A VISIT.

THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE...

AND I WISH YOU AND MS. FUTURE LUCK IN GOING AFTER THIS... VIPER.





I'VE ALREADY MADE  
ONE MISTAKE BY  
TELLING YOU WHO  
CANDACE SINCLAIR IS.



I'M NOT GOING TO  
COMPOUND IT BY  
LETTING YOU JUST  
WALK AWAY WITH  
THAT INFORMATION.  
YOU WANT THIS  
FIELD DEACTIVATED?



YOU'RE GOING TO  
HAVE TO GET  
THROUGH ME FIRST!

\*CRACKLE!\*



SLASH



SLASH



\*RARRH!\*

SLASH

**RRRRAAAARH!!**

**\*SWISH\***

**OH CR...**

**\*SSSLLLSH!\***

**\*RRRRRR...\***

**\*THUD\***

\*HUFF\* \*HUFF\*

YOU... YOU SHOULD NOT  
HAVE THROWN YOUR LIFE  
AWAY LIKE THAT!

YOU FOUGHT HARD... BUT  
YOU LACK THE TRAINING  
TO KNOW WHEN YOU ARE  
OUTMATCHED.

IT'S A PITY THAT YOU  
WILL NOT LIVE LONG  
ENOUGH TO LEARN  
FROM THIS ENCOUNTER.

MAYBE IF THIS WORLD  
HAS REINCarnation YOU  
WILL NOT BE SO RECKLESS  
IN YOUR NEXT LIFE.

OH GOD  
IT HURTS!

IT HURTS  
WORSE THAN  
ANYTHING  
I'VE EVER  
FELT BEFORE!

LIVE

"AND WE'RE CONTINUING OUR BREAKING NEWS FROM CITY HALL ON THE ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF MAYOR CALVIN BISSELLE."

"THE SMOKE YOU CAN SEE FROM THOSE BUILDINGS ARE FROM THE TWO VIPER AIRCRAFT THAT WERE FORCED DOWN BY GALATEA FUTURE."

WCOC **BREAKING NEWS - VIPER ASSASINATION THWARTED - MAYOR AND CROWD SAFE**







## WCOC 8 MAYOR CALVIN BISELLE SPEAKS OUT ON FAILED VIPER ASSASSINATION



## WCOC 8 MAYOR BISELLE VOWS TO MAKE VIPER PAY FOR ATTEMPT ON HIS LIFE



## WCOC 8 MAYOR BISELLE TO SPEAK WITH WHITE HOUSE ABOUT TERRORISM AID



## WCOC 8 MAYOR BISELLE THANKS GALATEA FUTURE FOR THWARTING VIPER

"...LUCKY HE  
FOUND HER  
WHEN HE DID..."

"...YOU'RE  
SAVING A  
SEVEN-FOOT  
BLUE WOLF  
DID THIS?"

"...PERFORATED HER  
SMALL INTESTINES...  
...CUT HER ABDOMINAL  
MUSCLES..."

"...WOLF-MAN MAYBE...  
THE WITNESS SAID HE  
WAS WEARING SOME  
SORT OF BODYSUIT."

"...WHAT ABOUT  
CANDACE?"

"WE'LL HAVE  
HER UNDER  
GUARD AT  
ALL TIMES."

"NO, I'LL TAKE CARE  
OF THAT. LET'S NOT  
TIP OUR ENEMY OFF  
THAT WE KNOW WHO  
HE'S GOING AFTER.  
WHAT ABOUT... HER?"

"SPEAKING OF WHICH...  
THERE IS A LITTLE  
MATTER THAT WE NEED  
TO DISCUSS ABOUT  
THE PATIENT."

"WHAT SORT  
OF PROBLEM,  
DOCTOR?"

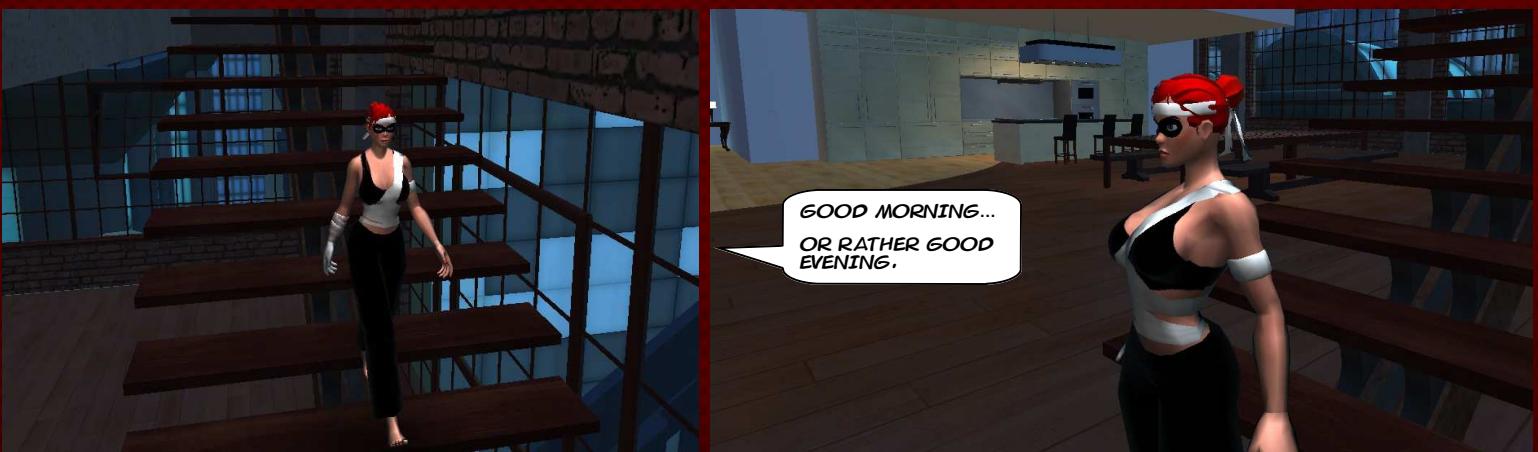
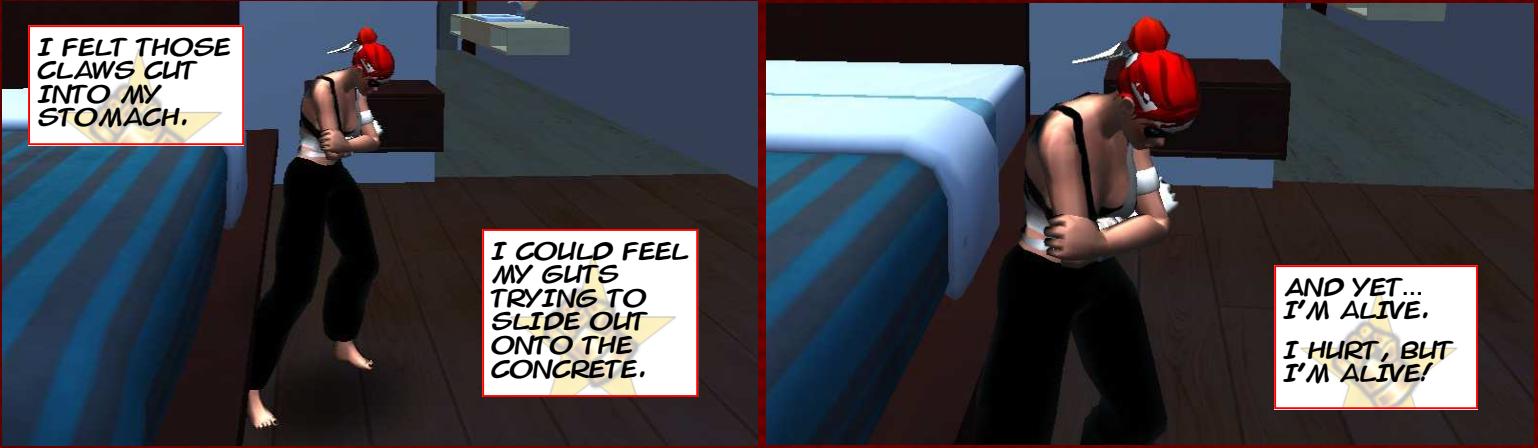
"I CAN KEEP THE  
MEDIA QUIET ABOUT  
THIS, SO THIS 'BLUE'  
PERSON WILL THINK  
SHE'S DEAD."

"IT HAS TO DO WITH  
THE RECORDS THAT  
WE HAVE ON HER."

I'M...  
ALIVE?

I HURT...  
BUT I'M  
ALIVE.

AND I SHOULDN'T BE.



YES, YOU'VE BEEN IN THAT BED ALL THIS TIME.

NO, I WASN'T THE ONE WHO DRESSED YOU OR CHANGED YOUR BANDAGES.

SPEAKING OF WHICH, YOU'LL NEED TO KEEP YOUR ABDOMEN WRAPPED FOR A FEW MORE DAYS, BUT ONCE WE REMOVE THEM THERE SHOULDN'T BE ANY SCARS.



RONIN OMEGA  
COSMIC TRAVELER

WHO ARE YOU, AND HOW DO YOU KNOW ALL OF THIS?

HOW DO YOU KNOW WHAT I WOULD ASK?

I GO BY THE NAME OF RONIN OMEGA. AND IF I WERE IN YOUR SITUATION, I WOULD WANT TO ASK THOSE QUESTIONS AS WELL.

THE PROCEDURE USED TO SAVE YOUR LIFE WAS BASED ON DORVALAN TECHNOLOGY; THE SAME WORLD THAT IRONCLAD CAME FROM.

THEY'RE PRETTY EFFICIENT IN HEALING SOLDIERS SO THEY CAN GO BACK INTO BATTLE.

I'M... SURE IT'S PRETTY EXPENSIVE... BUT--

THE UNITED NATIONS TRIBUNAL ON INTERNATIONAL LAW PICKED UP THE TAB FOR YOUR BRIEF HOSPITAL STAY.

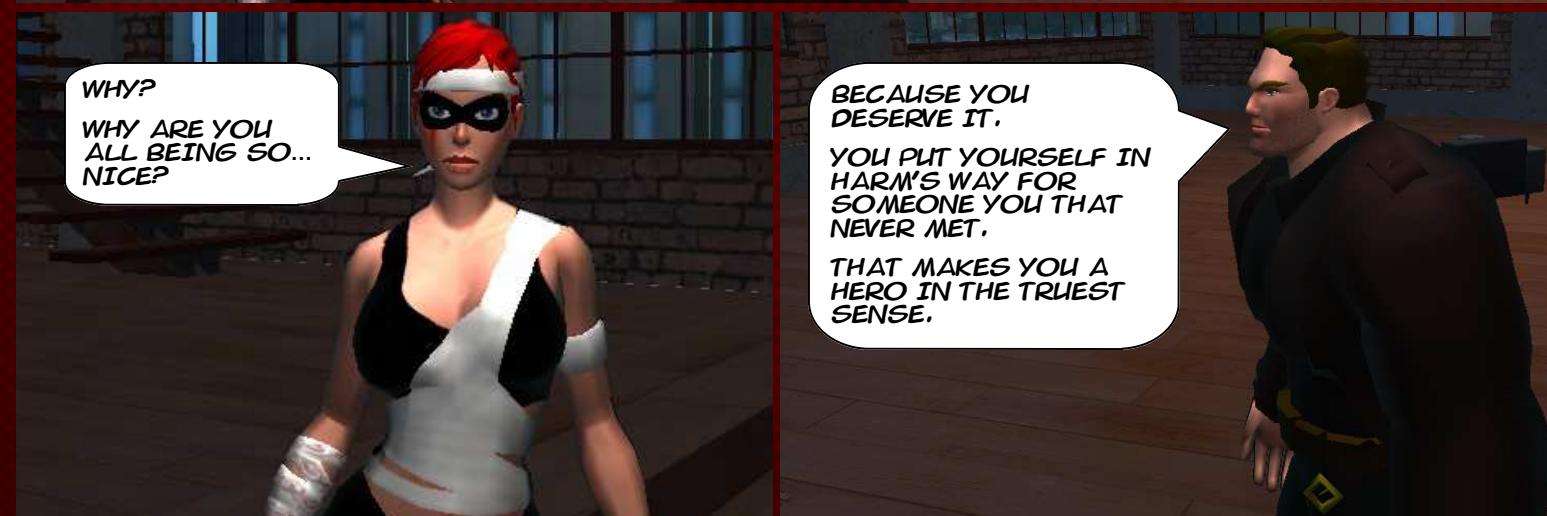
IT WAS THE LEAST THEY COULD DO, GIVEN THE LENGTHS YOU WENT TO IN TRYING TO SAVE GALATEA FUTURE'S FRIEND.

SO YOU'VE... STOPPED HIM?

IS MISS SINCLAIR SAFE?

"SAFE" IS A RELATIVE TERM.

NO, MISTER BLUE IS STILL ON THE LOOSE, WHICH IS ALSO WHY YOU'RE HERE.



FOR THE TIME BEING, YOUR PRIORITY IS TO REST AND HEAL.

YOU'RE FREE TO STAY HERE AS LONG AS YOU WISH UNTIL YOU CAN GET SET UP WITH YOUR OWN PLACE INSTEAD OF STAYING AT CARL'S GYM.

WE CAN DISCUSS TRAINING WHEN YOU'RE STRONGER.

AND... WHAT WILL YOU EXPECT FROM ME FOR ALL THIS GENEROSITY?

COOKING?  
CLEANING?  
"PILLOW TIME"?

I EXPECT YOU TO REST AND TO HEAL. NOTHING MORE.

THERE'S YOGURT IN THE REFRIGERATOR.

IT'S THE ONLY THING YOUR BODY CAN DIGEST RIGHT NOW BESIDES TEA AND WATER.

I'LL BE BACK IN A FEW HOURS.

GALATEA LEFT A NOTE FOR YOU ON THE ISLAND COUNTERTOP.

"STARLETT,

I WANTED TO THANK YOU FOR WHAT YOU DID TO TRY TO SAVE CANDACE SINCLAIR.

CANDACE IS A GOOD FRIEND OF MINE AND I AM GLAD TO KNOW THAT THERE ARE HEROES LIKE YOU WHO WOULD BE WILLING TO RISK EVERYTHING TO SAVE A COMPLETE STRANGER.

SHE IS SAFE, AND I WILL MAKE SURE THAT 'MISTER BLUE' IS BROUGHT TO JUSTICE FOR WHAT HE DID TO YOU.

THE PEOPLE FROM U.N.T.I.L. HAVE BEEN KIND ENOUGH TO HELP ME FIND 'BLUE', AND THEY WILL MAKE SURE THAT YOU ARE SAFE AS WELL."

"I WILL CHECK IN WHEN I HAVE THE TIME TO THANK YOU IN PERSON, BUT FOR NOW IT IS GOOD TO KNOW THERE IS SOMEONE LIKE YOU AROUND.

YOUR NEW FRIEND,  
GALATEA"

D@MNIT!  
D@MNIT!  
D@MNIT!

WHY DOES SHE HAVE TO BE SO NICE TO ME?

YES?

IT'S ME.  
WELL, I DID IT.  
I GOT INTO HER GOOD GRACES.

IT ONLY MAKES THIS PART HURT EVEN MORE.

WELCOME BACK FROM THE DEAD!

IT'S NICE TO KNOW THAT YOU MANAGED TO PULL IT OFF EVEN AT THE RISK OF YOUR OWN LIFE.

MARKMAN GOLD  
AGENT TO THE SUPER-LEGENDS

YEAH, WELL YOU DIDN'T NEED TO SEND A HIT MAN TO DO IT!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN BY THAT.

YOU MEAN YOU DIDN'T SEND "MISTER BILLIE" TO GUT ME?

... IT'LL BE IN YOUR BEST INTEREST TO MAKE SURE YOU FOLLOW THROUGH WITH YOUR GOAL OF LEARNING EVERYTHING YOU CAN ON YOUR NEW BEST FRIEND.

AND I EXPECT TO HEAR FROM YOU SOON ON THAT.

\*CLICK\*

REST ASSURED IF WE DID, YOU WOULD NOT BE AROUND TO TALK ABOUT IT.

ALTHOUGH YOUR ESTATE WOULD HAVE BEEN WELL-FINANCED THROUGH THE MEMORIAL PICTORIAL IN "CAPES AND BOOTS".

BUT NOW THAT I KNOW YOU'RE STILL ALIVE...

"BEST FRIEND" ... RIGHT...

LIKE I DESERVE ONE FOR WHAT I HAVE TO DO TO HER.

NEXT ISSUE:  
THE HUNT IS ON!

# **GUARDIAN WORDS**

*Words of wisdom from writer and creator David 2.*

HOLLYWOOD NEWS JOURNAL

SEPTEMBER 3, 2011

## **X-AMPLE STUDIO EXECS BURNED IN SCANDALOUS BLACKMAIL/PROSTITUTION RACKET**

(*Hero Press*) Hollywood, CA - Hollywood Police along with the California Bureau of Investigation raided the home of controversial filmmaker and producer Richard "Dick" Digger as part of a scathing blackmail and prostitution ring that involved as many as over three hundred young actresses and exposed a seedy underground empire of human trafficking whose client lists include some of the biggest movers-and-shakers in the film industry.

Police officials credit Sapphire of the Millennium City superhero group The Champions along with a new hero named "Starlett" for bringing the criminal operation to light.

"We are always grateful for heroes like Sapphire and Starlett stepping up to expose something this heinous," said police spokesman Troy Hunker.

According to police affidavits, Digger would recruit eager young actresses through auditions for X-Ample Studio, which he would secretly videotape. He would then select certain actresses to show up for a "meet and greet" party at his Beverly Hills residence. The women would be drugged and then left to his male clients for what he referred to as "Pillow Time", which would also be secretly recorded.

"The women in these parties would later be shown the videos and be told to be quiet if they wanted to succeed in the movie industry," said Hunker. "They would also be given the option of filming adult-style videos to go with their secret audition interviews or attending more parties as full-on 'escorts'."

The blackmail and forced prostitution ring came to light after Starlett claimed a friend was invited to take part in one of these parties.

"My friend did not know what would happen at these parties," Starlett told reporters. "She believed she was going there to meet studio executives and begin her career as an actress. Everyone there thought the same thing. What they got instead was a nightmare."

The "parties" came to an end after Starlett, in her own debut of sorts, raided Digger's home and discovered the videotapes and drugs allegedly used to make the victims "eager".

Police now say that the drugs found on the compound were a combination of sedatives and mild hallucinogens that would leave the user in a giddy and "stupor-like" state.

Hunker says that ten women so far have come forward and acknowledged they were victims of Digger's "Pillow Time" blackmail and have admitted being forced to take part in his "Interview" videos, even though they are filmed reading a disclaimer denying such coercion.

"It's standard for actresses in the adult industry to be seen on-camera

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making such disclaimers,” Hunker said. “But that doesn’t mean that every instance is true. In fact, in this particular case, the victims were told they had to pretend to be doing this out of their own free will in order to prevent the more damaging material from being released.”

Hunker also said that more victims are stepping forward.

Even armed with this evidence, though, the police still refused to take action until Sapphire’s insistence.

“I can understand the police being cautious,” said Sapphire. “But thankfully they stepped up once the extent of this criminal operation became clear.”

Even more damaging to the film industry is the extent of the client-base for Digger’s underground prostitution market, which prosecutors say includes some of Tinseltown’s biggest movers-and-shakers, as well as local politicians and influential actors. Prosecutors have confirmed a special grand jury is evaluating the evidence now for future indictments.

Attorneys for Digger say that the charges are nothing more than an orchestrated witch-hunt by vindictive women looking to make a name for themselves.

Digger is best known for his “Extreme Life” brand of videos, which focused on “Extreme Sports, Extreme Stunts, and Extreme Women”. Most of his videos featured dangerous stunts and R-rated videos of young women and were sold through late night infomercials. His series became the foundation for his X-Ample Studio, specializing in “Extremes”.

Digger’s X-Ample Studio was purchased by Diamond Media Entertainment Inc. in 2006. Calls to the parent company for a statement were not returned at the time of printing.

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