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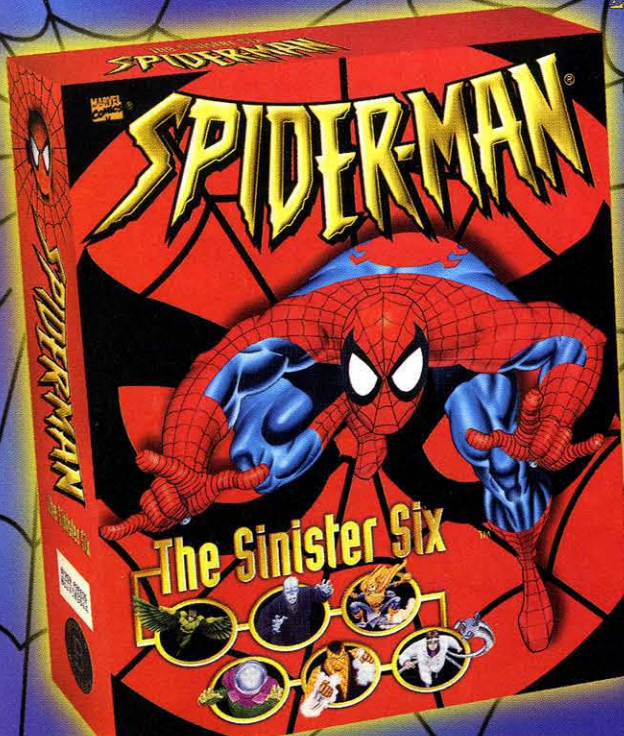
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TALK ABOUT A SMOOTH GIG!

THE DAILY BUGLE IS ACTUALLY PAYING ME TO SPEND THE DAY SHOOTING PIX OF THIS STREET FAIR.

AND, SINCE THE PROCEEDS ARE GOING TO CHARITY, I CAN EVEN SPRING FOR COTTON CANDY WITH A CLEAR CONSCIENCE.



TOO BAD MARY JANE COULDN'T BE HERE.

I'M SUPPOSED TO MEET HER AT E.S.U. LATER, AND -- Uh-Oh!

HEY, PETER --! RUNNING INTO YOU IS A REAL SURPRISE!

DITTO, ANGELA!

DON'T TELL ME THE BUGLE ASSIGNED TWO CAMERA JOCKEYS TO THIS JOB!



RELAX, Mr. PARKER! I'M NOT HERE TO COMPETE WITH YOU.

I'M MEETING A COUSIN WHO JUST FLEW IN FROM KOREA, AND -- HEY! THAT'S HER!

PRETTY WOMAN... BUT WHAT'S SHE CARRYING?

IT LOOKS LIKE SOME KIND OF SWORD.

PROBABLY A GIFT FOR ONE OF THE RELATIVES.

I HAVEN'T SEEN MEIKO IN YEARS, BUT I HEAR SHE'S A SERIOUS MARTIAL ARTIST.

I CAN'T IMAGINE WHY SHE BROUGHT THAT SILLY THING, BUT I'M SURE THAT --



"... MEIKO
HAS HER
REASONS."

<GREETINGS,
LITTLE
FLOWER?>

<FOR
THE HONOR
OF THE TRUE
BELIEVERS TO BE
SERVED... WE MEET,
PERHAPS FOR
THE FINAL TIME?>

<SO
BE IT -->

<-- BUT I
SHALL NOT MOURN
YOUR PASSING,
KARSANO?>

COOL!
THE CARNIVAL'S
SPONSORING A
LIVE VERSION
OF MORTAL
KOMBAT!

*TRANSLATED FROM AN ANCIENT KOREAN DIALECT -- RALF

W-WHAT'S
HAPPENING,
PETER?

WHY
ARE THOSE
MADMEN
ATTACKING MY
COUSIN?

P-PETER --?

WHERE'D
YOU GO?

DOWN A
NEARBY
ALLEY --

-- UP THE SIDE
OF A BUILDING --

— ACROSS A
ROOFTOP —

— AND INTO A MOST
FAMILIAR COSTUME!

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THAT'S
NO WAY TO
TREAT A LADY,
MY FASHION-
CHALLENGED
FRIEND.

DROP THE
SWORD —

— BEFORE
I'M FORCED TO
DATE MYSELF WITH
A QUICK RENDITION
OF HAMMER
TIME!

DO NOT
INTERFERE!
THIS
WOMAN MUST
FULFILL HER TRUE
DESTINY!

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<YOU ARE UNWORTHY OF MY METTLE, LITTLE FLOWER.>



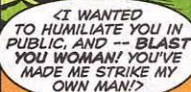
<YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE INVOLVED AN OUTSIDER IN THIS AFFAIR!>



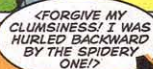
<DO NOT BLAME ME FOR YOUR FAILURE, KARSANO.>



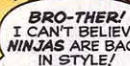
<IT WAS YOU WHO INITIATED THIS BATTLE.>




<I WANTED TO HUMILIATE YOU IN PUBLIC, AND -- BLAST YOU WOMAN! YOU'VE MADE ME STRIKE MY OWN MAN!>



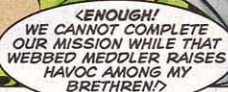
<FORGIVE MY CLUMSINESS! I WAS HURLED BACKWARD BY THE SPIDERY ONE!>



BRO-THER! I CAN'T BELIEVE NINJAS ARE BACK IN STYLE!



IF YOU ASK ME, JACKIE CHAN HAS LOTS TO ANSWER FOR!



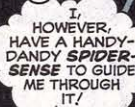
<ENOUGH! WE CANNOT COMPLETE OUR MISSION WHILE THAT WEBBED MEDDLER RAISES HAVOC AMONG MY BRETHREN!>



LADY, WAIT --!



YOU MUSTN'T ENTER THAT CLOUD!



I, HOWEVER, HAVE A HANDY-DANDY SPIDER-SENSE TO GUIDE ME THROUGH IT!



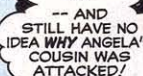
HEY!!!



WHERE IS EVERYBODY?



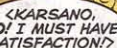
NICELY DONE, PETEY BOY! YOU LOST THE BAD GUYS AND THE GIRL --



-- AND STILL HAVE NO IDEA WHY ANGELA'S COUSIN WAS ATTACKED!



THE WAY YOUR LUCK'S RUNNING, YOU PROBABLY ALSO USED FOGGED FILM FOR YOUR CARNIVAL SHOTS!

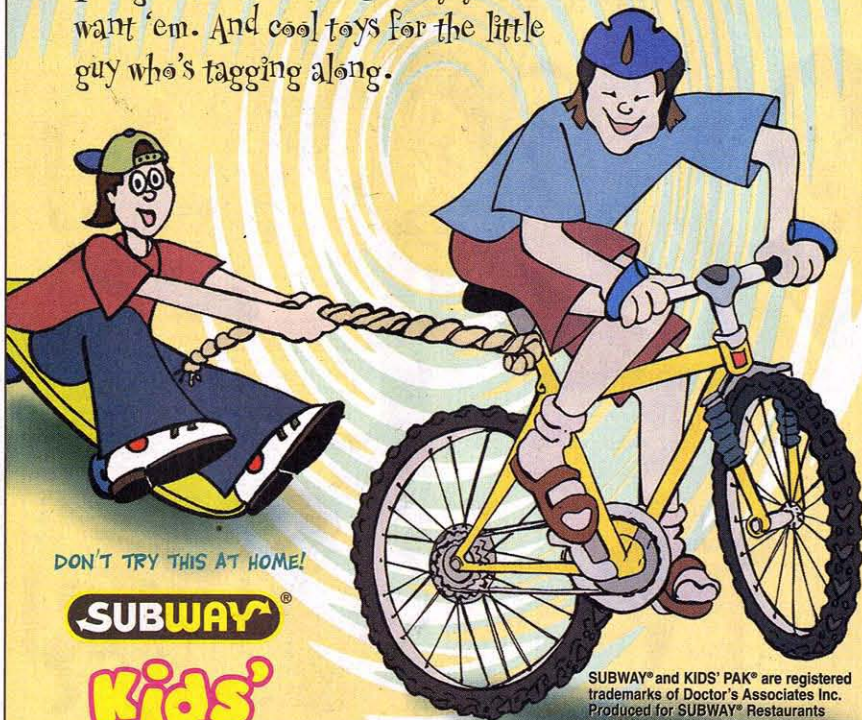


<KARSANO, NO! I MUST HAVE SATISFACTION!>

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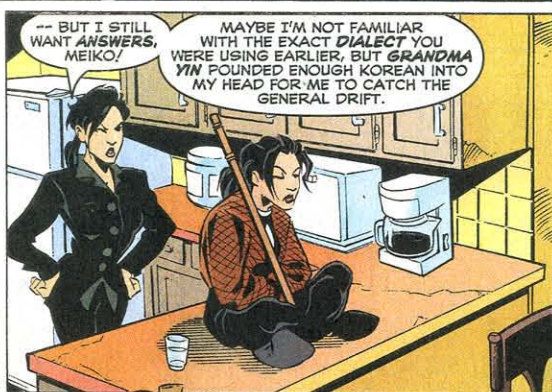


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"CALLING THEMSELVES
THE **TRUE BELIEVERS**,
THEIR SENSE! --

"-- A HATEFUL
CRONE NAMED
MADAM QWA --

"-- PROMISED TO
RAISE **KARSANO** TO
THE STATURE AND
POWER OF THE
DRAGONFLY!

"WILLING TO SACRIFICE
HIS VERY SOUL TO ACHIEVE
THIS LEGENDARY STATE OF
FLAWLESSNESS --

"-- **KARSANO**
FORSOOK ME.

BUT
QWA WAS NOT
SATISFIED.

SHE ORDERED HIM TO
PROVE HIS ABSOLUTE
LOYALTY... BY
KILLING ME!

ACCORDING TO THE
HONOR CODE OF THE
TRUE BELIEVERS, HE MAY
ONLY MAKE **THREE**
ATTEMPTS.

TODAY
HE FAILED FOR
THE **SECOND**
TIME!

Oh, **MEIKO** --
IT MUST BE SO
HORRIBLE FOR
YOU!

WE'VE
GOT TO CALL
THE POLICE! I'M
SURE THEY CAN
PROTECT
YOU!

NO! I WILL NEVER
BE SAFE UNTIL I FACE
KARSANO ONE LAST
TIME, AND --

LOOK!

W-WHAT
IS IT? WHAT'S
WRONG?

I...

I
THOUGHT
SOMEONE
WAS AT THE
WINDOW!



SHWEH!
THEY NEED
WARNING LABELS
ON COTTON CANDY!
I NEVER REALIZED
HOW BADLY IT
CAN SLOW A
MAN!

I
FIGURED THE
BUGLE WOULD
HAVE ANGELA YIN'S
ADDRESS, BUT I
CERTAINLY DIDN'T
COUNT ON RUNNING
INTO ANY SPLINTER
GROUP OF THE HAND!

THEY'RE THE DEADLIEST
ASSASSINS IN THE
WORLD!

MAYBE
I SHOULD TRY
TO GET HOLD OF
DAREDEVIL,
WOLVERINE
OR --



TOO
LATE!

AND IT'S
PROBABLY
JUST AS
WELL!

AN
A LIST PLAYER
LIKE ME DOESN'T
NEED TO RELY ON
GRATUITOUS
GUEST-STARS!

I
HOPE!



THIS
BATTLE
BETTER NOT
RUN LONG!

MARY
JANE MUST
HAVE REMINDED
ME A DOZEN TIMES
ABOUT OUR AFTER-
NOON MEETING
AT E.S.U.

AND A
BAND OF POST-
TEEN, HYPERACTIVE
NINJA ASSASSINS
WOULD BE JUST
ANOTHER LAME
EXCUSE TO
HER!

SO WE WERE HIKING TO THIS
REALLY COOL CAMPSITE FOR A
BOWL OF CAP'N CRUNCH!!



WHEN WE CAME TO THIS
WEIRD LOOKING BRIDGE!

THEN THE CAP'N DROPPED IN AND YELLED
"JUST THINK OF WHAT YOU WANT AND
GO FOR IT!"



THE THOUGHT OF THAT
SWEET DELICIOUS
CRUNCH GOT US RIGHT
OVER THAT BRIDGE!

HAT'S HOW WE GOT TO OUR
AWESOME CAMPSITE AND
OUR HUGE BOWLS OF
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MAKE IT HAPPEN!





HI,
GUYS! HOPE
YOU WON'T MIND
IF WE DISPENSE WITH
THE USUAL BORING FIGHT...
AND CUT RIGHT TO THE
PART WHERE YOU
SURRENDER!

I KNOW
IT'S A BIT
UNORTHODOX --
CONSIDERING THE
BREVITY OF OUR
RELATIONSHIP --
BUT I'M REALLY
PRESSED FOR TIME!

I FIND YOUR **HUMOR**
AS LACKING AS YOUR
HONOR, AGILE
ONE!

OUCH!
THAT'S A
MAJOR HURT
FEST --

-- AND I'M
TALKING ABOUT
THE **PROPELLER**
BLADE YOUR
BUDDY JUST
SHOVED INTO
YOUR ARM!

WHAT'S
WITH YOU GUYS?
TOO **MACHO** TO
EXPRESS YOUR
FEELINGS!

I CAN PUT
YOU OUT FOR A
WHILE, BUT YOU
STILL NEED A
HOSPITAL!

OHMIGOSH!
WHAT HAPPENED
TO YOUR FACE?

THE
TRUE BELIEVERS
ARE BEYOND THE
PHYSICAL LIMITATIONS
OF MERE **MORTAL**
FLESH!

NEITHER
PAIN NOR **DEATH**
CAN CLAIM
US!

BACK
OFF
SPIDER-
MAN!

THIS
IS MY
FIGHT!

IT IS MY
HONOR AT
STAKE!



A large, muscular man with a camouflage-patterned mask and a brown jacket is being held back by Spider-Man. Spider-Man is crouching on a rooftop, looking towards a green-skinned figure who is being restrained by a web. The background shows a cityscape with a yellow sky.

I MUST
DEFEAT KARSANO
ON MY OWN!

GO FOR IT,
GIRLFRIEND!

ME, I'M
MORE THAN
CONTENT TO SPIN
A FEW WEBS WITH
HIS BACKUP
BAND!

THWIPP

IGNORANT
UNBELIEVER! YOUR
ADOLESCENT ARTIFICES
ARE NO MATCH FOR OUR
BLOOD-THIRSTY
BLADES!

ADOLESCENT
ARTIFICES?!

DO
YOU DORKS
HAVE ANY IDEA
OF THE COMMERCIAL
POTENTIAL FOR A
WELL-SPUN
WEB?

I'LL
GIVE YOU A
HINT...

...SIGNIFICANTLY MORE
THAN ANYTHING AS RETRO
AS A SMELLY OLD
SWORD.

<PREPARE
YOURSELF, LITTLE
FLOWER! YOUR MOMENT
OF DESTINY IS
AT HAND!>

<I AM
READY,
KARSANO!

<ARE
YOU?>



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BOOPS!!

HOPE
YOU WEREN'T
TOO ATTACHED
TO THIS OVER-
GROWN NAIL FILE!

I-IT
HAS BEEN
THE CEREMONIAL
HONOR SWORD OF
MY FAMILY FOR
OVER 500
YEARS!



REALLY? WHAT'S
SOMETHING LIKE THAT
WORTH?

IN
AMERICAN
DOLLARS?

IT WAS
PRICELESS,
YOU IMBECILE!



YOU HAVE THE NERVE TO
CALL *ME* NAMES... WHEN YOU'RE
THE ONE OUT JOYRIDING WITH
THE FAMILY TREASURE?!



I CAN'T BLAME YOU
FOR BEATING UP ON
YOURSELF!

YOU'LL
PROBABLY BE
GROUNDED INTO
THE NEXT
CENTURY --



YOU HAVE
DISGRACED ME
BEFORE MY SACRED
ORDER, SPIDER-MAN --



-- BUT I CAN STILL MAKE
AMENDS BY SPIRITING
MY BROTHERS TO
SAFETY!

WANNA
BET?

THWAP

-- OR EVEN
LONGER
IF I HAVE
MY SAY!





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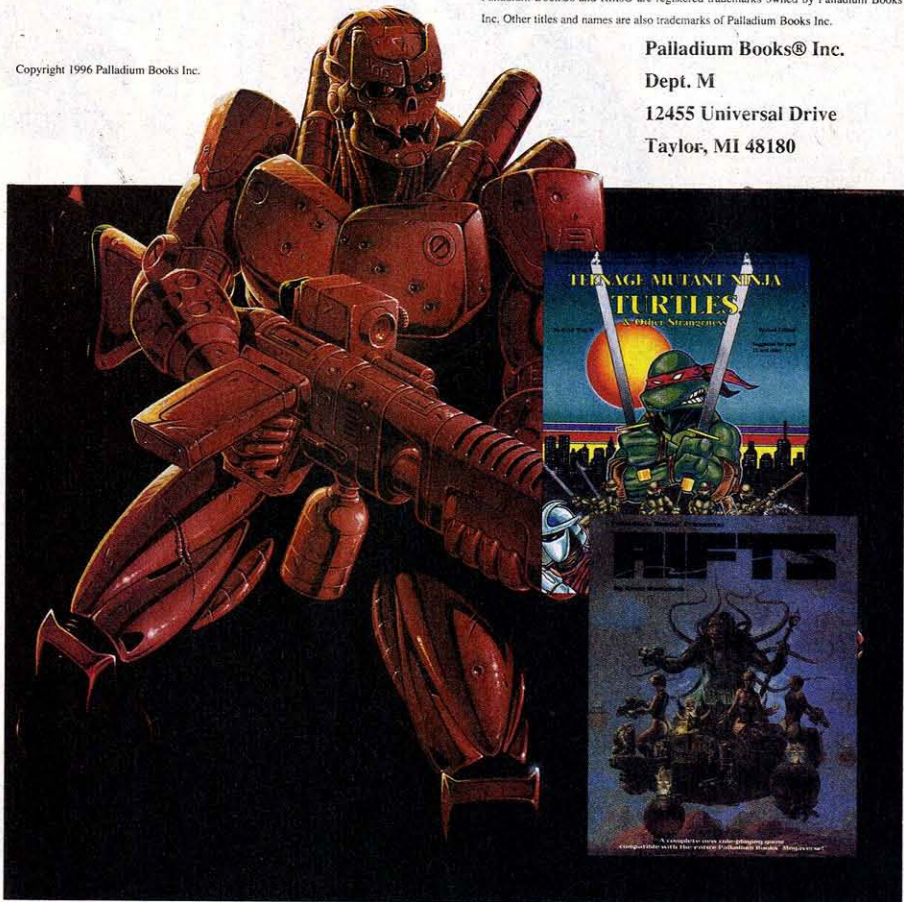
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ONLY TWENTY MINUTES
HAVE PASSED SINCE
OUR WALL-CRAWLING CEEB
BATTLED THE TRUE BELIEVERS
FOR THE LIFE OF MEIKO YIN --

-- AND WAS SICKENED
BY THE RITUAL SUICIDE
OF THEIR LEADER!

A WILD WEB-SWING
ACROSS THE CONCRETE
CANYONS OF
MANHATTAN HAS DONE
LITTLE TO RELAX HIM.

HE NOW FACES
ANOTHER CRISIS...

...ONE WE'VE ALL
EXPERIENCED AT
SOME TIME IN
OUR LIVES...

...THE EVER-
DREADED
**FIRST DAY
OF SCHOOL!**

I'M
LATE/ LATE/
LATE!
LATE!

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HOOBOY!
JAKE DOESN'T
SOUND TOO BITTER
ABOUT BEING FIRED,
AND ---

Uh-
Oh!

NOT
BAD, PETER.
YOU'RE ONLY
OFF BY ABOUT
FORTY-FIVE
MINUTES!

LISTEN,
MARY JANE,
I...

NO NEED
TO APOLOGIZE. I
ANTICIPATED YOU
RUNNING LATE, AND
GAVE YOU AN HOUR
BUFFERZONE.

WILL YOU
PUH-LEASE
TRY TO
RELAX?

YOU'RE
ACTUALLY
EARLY FOR A
CHANGE.

LET ME TAKE
THOSE BOOKS,
SWEETHEART.

YOU LOOK
LIKE YOUR
ARM'S READY
TO FALL
OFF.



THANKS... AND I'M ASSUMING
YOU HAVE A GOOD REASON FOR
WEARING YOUR SHIRT
BACKWARDS.

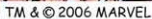
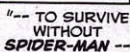


WELL...
UH... ACTUALLY...
I... ER...



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WILL BE JUST
FINE!

WE'RE GOING TO HAVE
A BLAST GETTING BACK
INTO THE SWING
OF COLLEGE
LIFE --



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ANOTHER ONE OF MY WAREHOUSES WAS HIT TODAY!

HIJACKING QUALITY MERCHANDISE IS DIFFICULT ENOUGH!

I DON'T NEED THE ADDITIONAL **EXPENSE** -- AND **STRESS** -- OF CONTENDING WITH SOME CRAZY BAND OF **NINJAS!**



FIGHTING OFF THE COMPETITION IS PART OF THE DAILY GRIND IN OUR **Peculiar** BUSINESS.

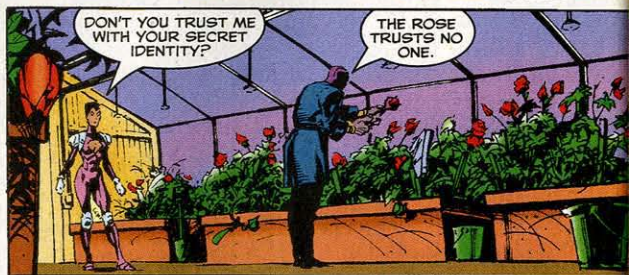
I APPRECIATE YOUR SHOW OF SUPPORT, DELILAH.

IF YOU HADN'T POINTED THAT OUT, I MIGHT HAVE FORGOTTEN THAT THE **BLACK TARANTULA** IS ALSO CURRENTLY ENCRANCHING ON MY TERRITORY.



IF IT'S **Comfort** YOU WANT, I KNOW **Delightful** A WAY TO TAKE YOUR MIND OFF YOUR PROBLEMS.

I'M SURE YOU DO, BUT I HAVE NO INTENTION OF REMOVING MY MASK.



DON'T YOU TRUST ME WITH YOUR SECRET IDENTITY?

THE ROSE TRUSTS NO ONE.



I WILL LEAVE THE NINJAS TO YOUR LOVELY, AND MOST CAPABLE, HANDS.

DISPOSING OF THEM WILL BE MY... **Pleasure!**

BULLETPEN

EDITORIAL PROFILE: BOB HARRAS

EDITOR IN CHIEF,
FRIEND TO SMALL ANIMALS,
AND THE KING
OF TAKE-OUT FOOD

FIRST JOB EVER — My friends and I ran a snack stand for the whole summer when I was twelve. It was called the Blue Goose Inn, and we sold old comics and Kool-Aid. We made forty-five dollars by the end of the summer, and we were very proud of ourselves.

FIRST JOB IN COMICS — At Marvel, as an editorial assistant. I returned artwork and did the mail.

BEST PART OF JOB — Making comics.

WORST PART OF JOB — Sitting in Ski's office

while he smokes like a chimney.

LAST TIME I WENT HOME AT 5 — Oh my god! I don't remember!

WHY I LET SCOTT LOBDELL CALL ME AT HOME ONCE I'M THERE — I always love to hear from the Scooter!

BIGGEST INFLUENCE IN CAREER — Stan Lee and Jack Kirby.

BIGGEST INFLUENCE IN LIFE — Mom!

LAST GOOD BOOK READ — "Song of the Dodo." It's about extinction.

LAST GOOD RECORD BOUGHT — Original pressing of the Misfits' "Walk Among Us."

LAST GOOD MOVIE SEEN — With triplets, who has time to see movies?

I'M JUST GREAT AT COOKING — Absolutely nothing. It's take-out all the way, baby.

MY MOST RECENT BRUSH WITH FAME WAS — In Central Park. I ran into Abe Vigoda while I was walking the boys and we talked about triplets. We talked about sons. I mean, it's Fish from "Barney Miller!" You gotta be impressed!



BURNIN' UP THE CIRCUITS!

It's cold outside, but Marvel's web site is smokin' with hot new comics! Every Thursday throughout this month, you can find a new installment of an awesome four-part Spider-Man story drawn by Spidey artist extraordinaire Sal Buscema! Written by John Lewandowski and featuring the rich work of colorist Mark Badger, the story features the evil Mysterio, who kidnaps J. Jonah Jameson — and then frames Spidey for the vile deed!

X-Men favorite Wolverine can also be found in cyberspace, with new installments of his story on a biweekly basis! Written by Tom DeFalco, this feature boasts art by Nghia Lam and coloring by the incredible Atomic



Paintbrush! Things are getting hairy as the feisty mutant takes on the Warwolves, who are attempting to take on the highest level of government, in a story that's been ongoing since November! Sit back and watch the fur fly!

As if the action weren't overloading the circuits already, February will see Doctor Strange teaming up with Spider-Man to take on Tombstone and foil his mystical plot for revenge! And the best part about all of this? "The art is now downloadable!" says editor

Suzanne Gaffney proudly. Former X-office editor Suzanne points out that the art is created especially for the on-line site, and can be found nowhere else! Buzz on over to AOL at keyword Marvel for some heavy-hitting on-line, comic book action. They're everything print comics are — and a whole lot more!

CHECKLIST FOR JANUARY 22

2099, WORLD OF TOMORROW #7 Spidey 2099 spends some quality time making sure he finds his wacky brother Green Goblin before the evil Doctor Doom does! By Ben Raab, Joe Kelly, Jason Armstrong and David Brewer!

CAPTAIN AMERICA #5 Cap and Bucky get their act together in time to come fist-to-jaw with the murderous Crossbones! By Rob Liefeld and Jeph Loeb!

ELEKTRA #5 Elektra has to decide whether beating a bunch of assassins to her designated prey is worth seeing her dead father! By Peter Milligan and Mike Deodato, Jr.!

GLADIATOR/SUPREME It's 48 pages of clock-cleaning fun as the Imperial Guard's Gladiator tangles with Rob Liefeld's deliciously powerful Supreme! Guaranteed to make "Clash of the Titans" look like a dolls' tea party! By Keith Giffen and Andy Smith!

SILVER SURFER/WEAPON ZERO
(DEVIL'S REIGN Part 8 of 8)

The bitter and blisterin' end of the awesome Marvel/Top Cow crossover! Weapon Zero team up with Silver Surfer to give the power-mad Mephisto a run for his Monopoly money as he grasps for control of the Top Cow Universe! By Brian Holguin and Aaron Sowd!

SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN #244 Spidey moves to shut down that darn Chameleon once and for all! Also featuring the return of the Kangaroo! A pouch-ripping' good time! By J.M. DeMatteis and Luke Ross!

DOMINO #3 (of 3) Rock 'em, sock 'em issue based on the premise that love does indeed bite! Domino encounters the dirty rat who kidnapped her ex-husband! Not only that, but the mysterious X-babe also discovers the fate of her first love! By Ben Raab and David Perrin!

WOLVERINE #111 Itchin' for a change, Wolverine packs it in and moves to the Big Apple! But can he afford the rent? By Larry Hama and Anthony Winn!

X-FORCE #64 X-Force find themselves in

the middle of a pitched battle between S.H.I.E.L.D. and a bunch of heavily-armed Latvian patriots! By John Francis Moore and Anthony Castrillo!

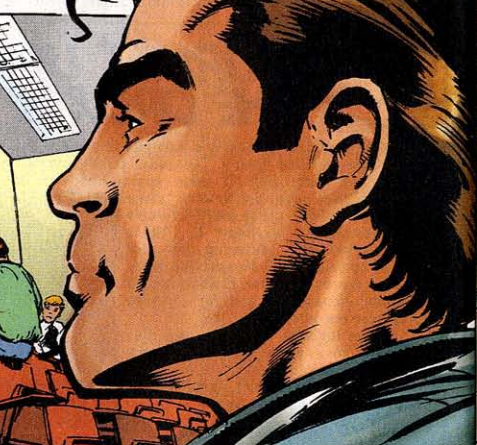
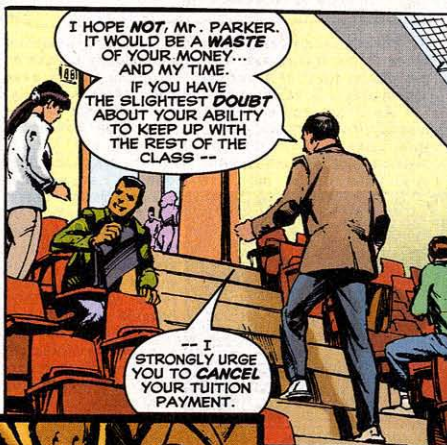
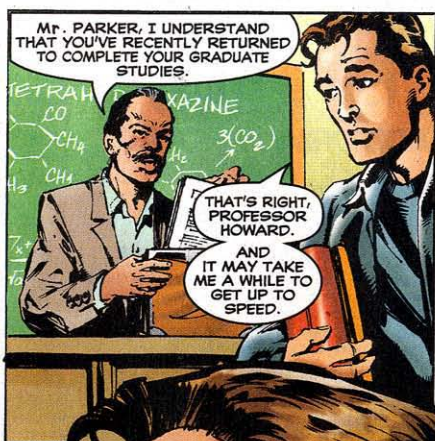
X-MEN UNLIMITED #14 Young Franklin, distraught over the loss of his family in the Onslaught crisis, goes to ex-Master of Magnetism Joseph for help. Hey kid, we all took the loss of the FF hard! By Terry Kavanagh and Jimmy Cheung!

STAR TREK: EARLY VOYAGES #2 Captain Pike and crew must act as referees in the fierce battle over a newly discovered mine of pure dilithium resting under the foundation of a Federation lighthouse! By Ian Edginton, Dan Abnett and Patrick Zircher!

STAR TREK UNLIMITED #3 The Next Generation crew are trapped in a civil war and forced to take sides! Then, it's Uhura in command after Captain Kirk is knocked unconscious at the controls of a runaway shuttle! By Ian Edginton, Dan Abnett, Mark Buckingham and Ron Randall!

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WHAT HAVE YOU TO REPORT, MADAM QWA?

HOW DOES THE BLACK TARANTULA WANT US TO BEHAVE TOWARD THIS AMERICAN VIGILANTE?

TREAT HIM LIKE ANY OTHER INCONVENIENCE.

YOUR NEXT ENCOUNTER WITH HIM MAY ALSO BE HIS LAST.



WHEW

THE ACADEMIC GRIND IS A WHOLE LOT TOUGHER THAN I REMEMBER --

-- BUT IT'S STILL KINDA FUN!

I'LL TAKE YOUR WORD FOR IT.



I'M STILL NOT CONVINCED IT'S WORTH THE TIME, MONEY OR EFFORT --

-- BUT I'M DETERMINED TO GIVE IT MY BEST SHOT!

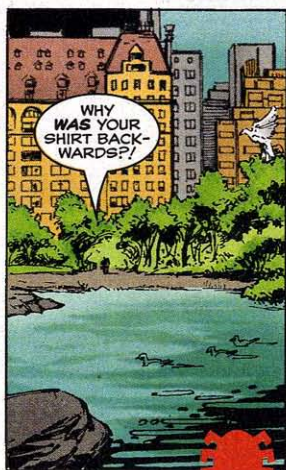
I HAVE CONFIDENCE IN US, MR. PARKER.



WE'LL FIND A WAY TO MAKE THINGS WORK OUT.

WE ALWAYS DO!

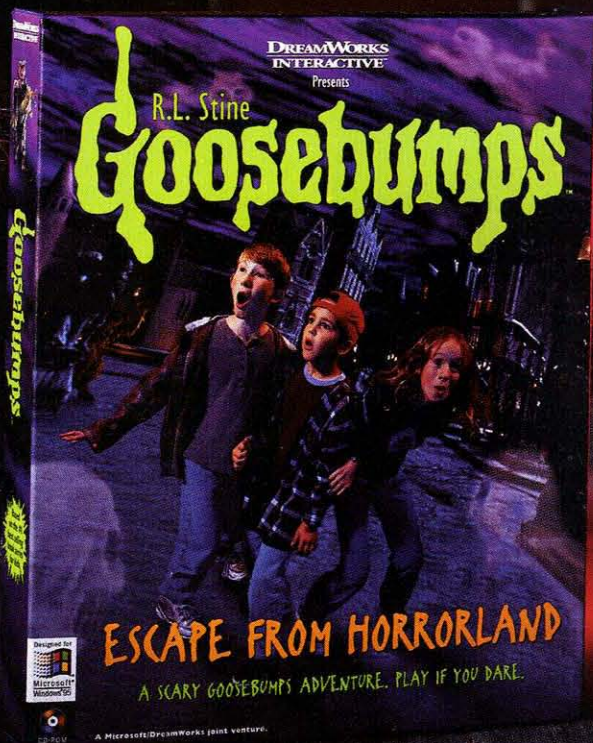
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