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SPIDER-MAN

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HAPPY
THANKSGIVING,
TURKEYS!

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AS A TEENAGER, GWEN STACY WAS BITTEN BY A MUTATED SPIDER. THE BITE TRANSFORMED HER, GRANTING HER AMAZING POWERS: A PRECOGNITIVE AWARENESS OF DANGER, ADHESIVE FINGERTIPS AND TOES, AND THE PROPORTIONAL SPEED AND STRENGTH OF A SPIDER. TO THE RESIDENTS OF NEW YORK, SHE IS THE DANGEROUS VIGILANTE CALLED SPIDER-WOMAN, BUT YOU KNOW HER AS...

SPIDER-GWEN

PREVIOUSLY...

"CASTLE WON'T
STOP UNTIL HIS
STORY IS THE TRUTH."

"SOMEONE HAS TO HOLD
HIM ACCOUNTABLE."

"STOPPING HIM IS MY
RESPONSIBILITY."

DAD,
WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
HERE?

IT'S TIME
FOR ME TO TURN
MYSELF IN.

IT
SEEMS WE HAVE
A DEAL.

THE
KINGPIN IS AT
YOUR SERVICE,
MS. STACY.

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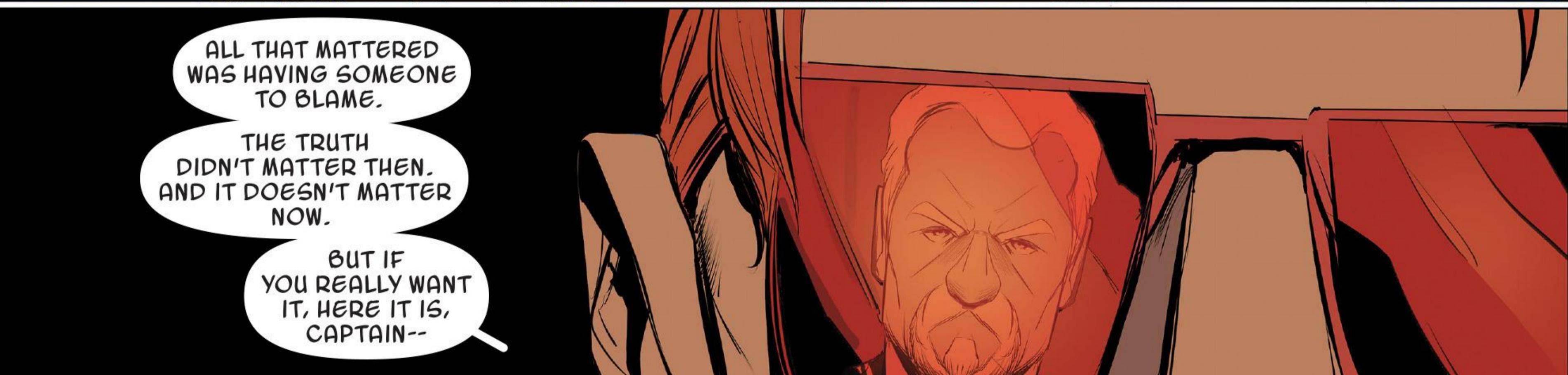
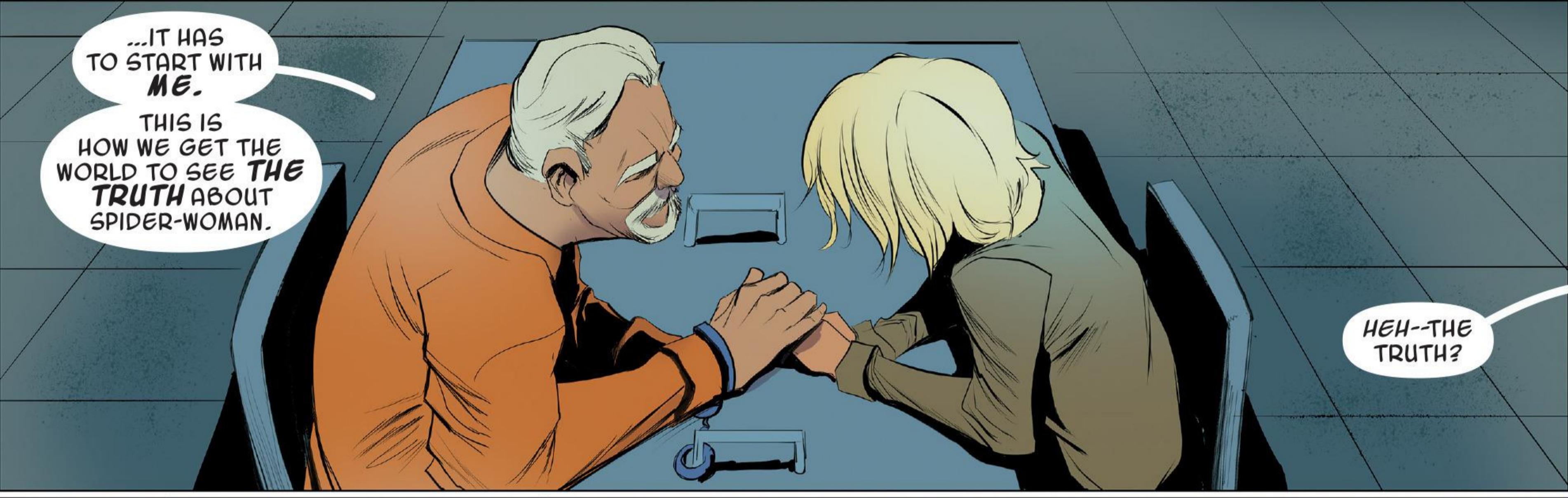
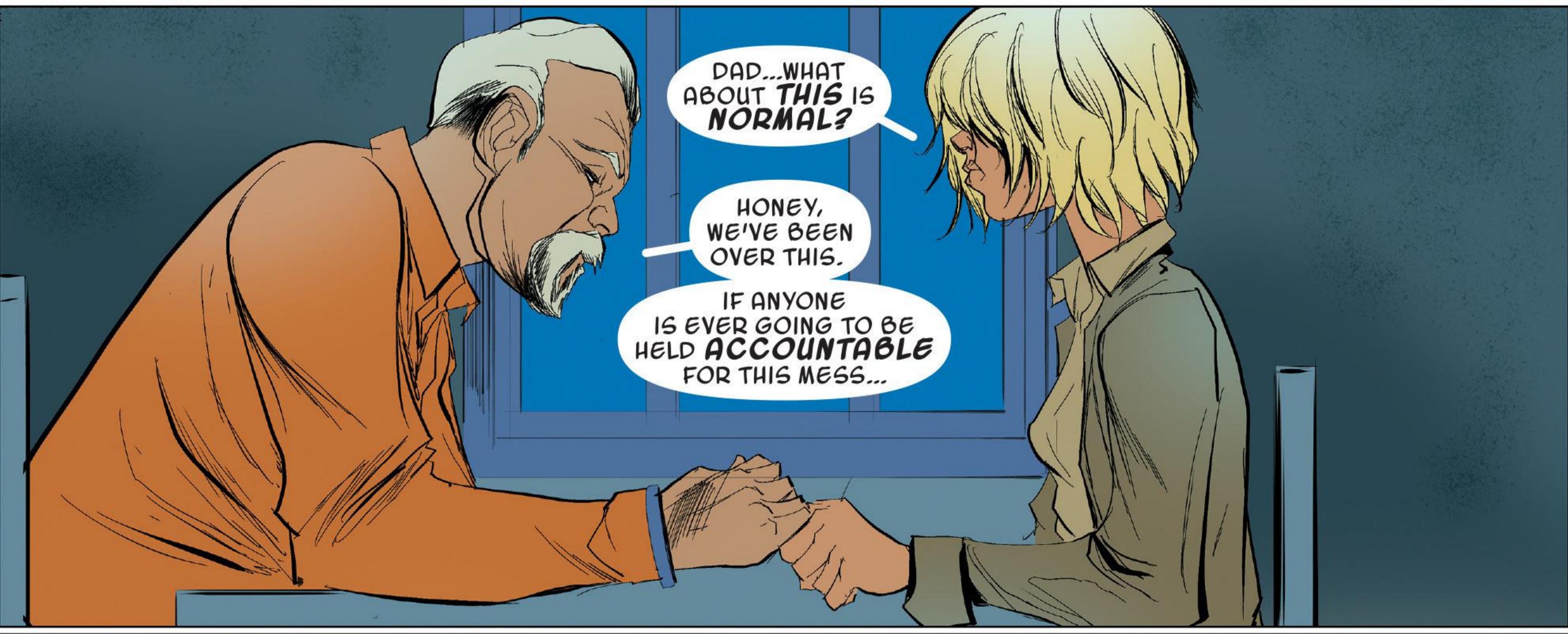
GO HOME,
GWEN.

EAT
TOO MUCH
TURKEY.

FALL
ASLEEP WATCHING
FOOTBALL.



BE
THANKFUL
FOR THE NORMAL
THINGS IN
LIFE.



YOU ARE
HERE DUE TO YOUR
EGO. BECAUSE YOU CAN'T
LIVE WITH BEING
WRONG.

AND YOUR
ONLY WAY OUT OF THIS
IS TO ADMIT--

--IT'S
GWEN'S TURN TO SAVE
THE DAY.

YOU HAVE A WAY OF READING
PEOPLE, MURDOCK. I'LL
GIVE YOU THAT.

AND WHAT
IF YOU **ARE**
RIGHT?

WHAT IF
THIS **IS** ALL ABOUT
MY EGO?

WHAT IF
I'D RATHER **BURN**
THAN MAKE A DEAL
WITH SLIME LIKE
YOU?

HEH.
YOU'RE A
TERRIBLE LIAR,
CAPTAIN...

"...BUT THAT'S
THE SPIRIT."

I'M
SORRY... I
DON'T KNOW
WHAT TO
SAY...

...TO
MAKE HIM
SEE THAT HE
NEEDS OUR
HELP.

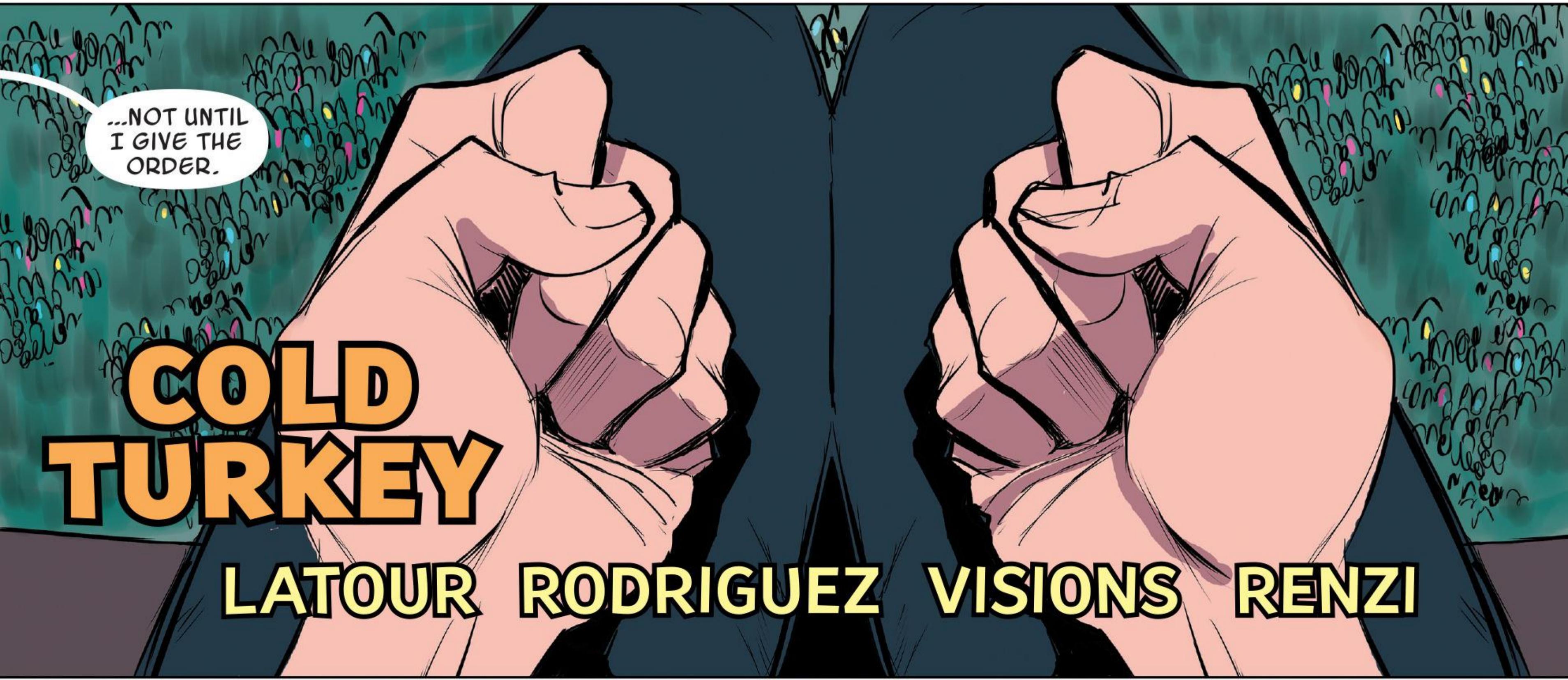
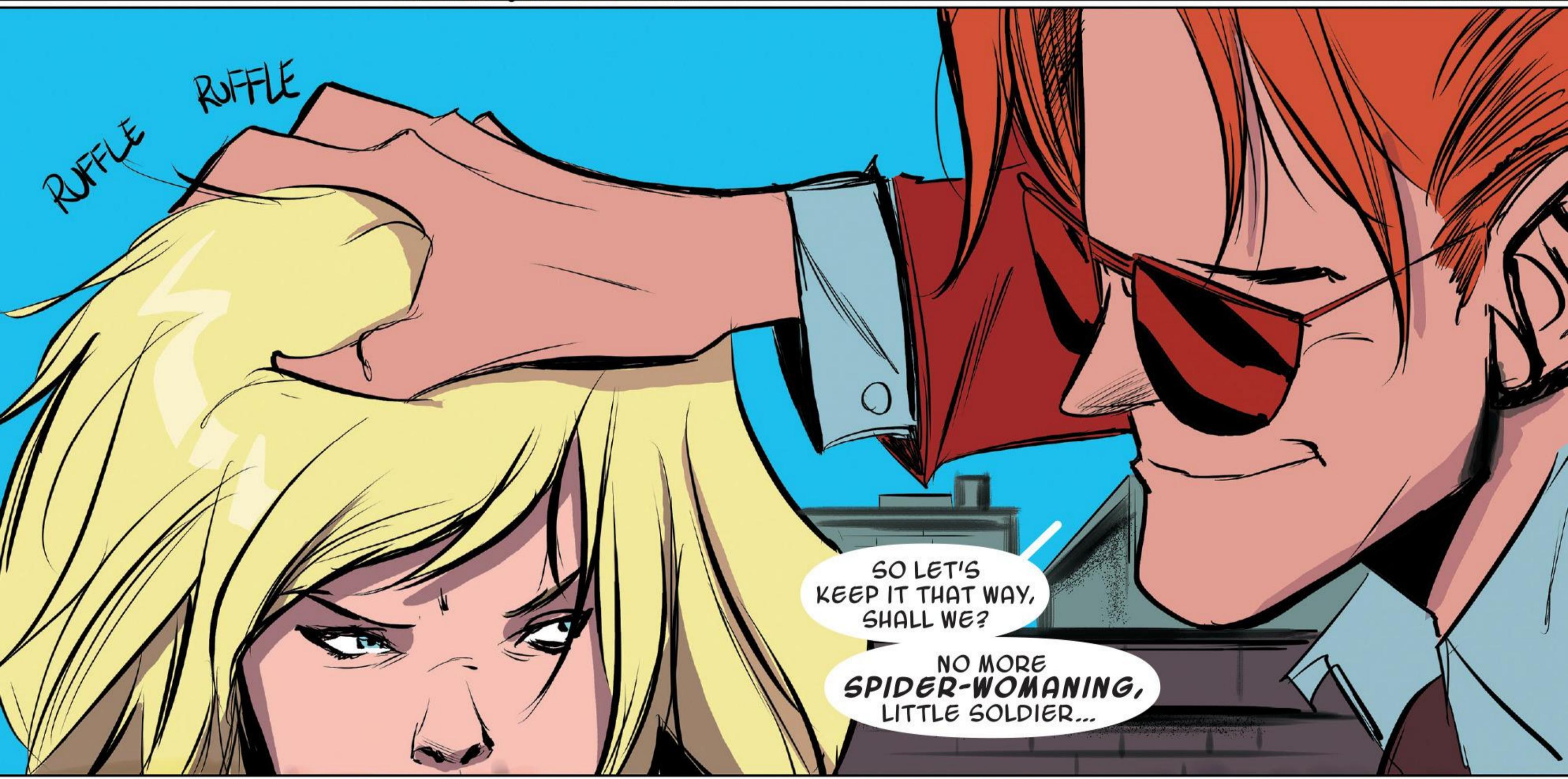
YOU'RE
SORRY? PLEASE,
CHILD...

...THAT WAS
EXHILARATING.
LIKE BREAKING
A BUCKING
BRONCO.

SPOILER
ALERT, MS.
STACY--

--YOUR
FATHER IS
NOT QUITE AS
DUMB AS HIS
MUSTACHE
MAKES HIM
LOOK.

OH, MAKE
NO MISTAKE, HE IS
PREPARED TO SEE
THIS THROUGH...



SO, FOUR
CANS OF YAMS
AND FRESH
NUTS?

NUTMEG,
MAY. FRESH
NUTMEG.

FRESH NUTMEG.
GOT IT. AND HONEY IN
THE LITTLE PLASTIC
BEAR OR...?

=SIGH= MAY,
PLEASE? IT'S ALMOST
KICKOFF.

FINE.
FINE, I'M
GOING.



BUT I STILL DON'T
UNDERSTAND WHY YOU
INSIST ON MAKING SO
MUCH FOOD.

IT'S JUST
THE TWO OF US,
BEN.



BEING
THANKFUL IS
THE WHOLE POINT,
MAY. THANK-FULL
OF YAMS.

NOW GET
OUT OF HERE
BEFORE I--

HEADS
UP!

MAY!
WATCH
OUT!

SHWAP



HEY, SORRY
ABOUT THAT,
MR. AND MRS.
PARKER.

GREAT
CATCH, THOUGH. STILL
GOT THE BEST HANDS
ON THE BLOCK.

YEAH,
YEAH. SURE,
FLASH.

BUTTER
ME UP ALL YOU
WANT--I'M STILL
RETIRER.

AW
C'MON, MR. PARKER.
YOU'RE A MIDTOWN
HIGH TIGER...

...WE COULD
REALLY USE YOU
AGAINST THOSE
JERKS FROM
UPTOWN.

MR.
BLAKENSHIP
AND HIS SONS ARE
IN. AND I THINK THE
WATT BOYS ARE,
TOO.

C'MOOON...

RELIVE
THOSE GLORY
DAYS.

NO
THANKS, FLASH.
NOT TODAY.
I JUST--

--I JUST
CAN'T.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING,
YA GOOFS!

MJ



Glory

Happy Turkey
day, y'all!

Randy

Say it with me...
casseroles.

MJ

Sir Eddard Sweet Potato.
House Casserole.

Randy

OMG, guys. Did you see
that President Duck
pardoned a Turkey?

Betty

A Duck pardoned
a Turkey! LMAO.

Betty

Mmm...Duck
Casserole.

Glory



...

Gwen

HEY THERE,
SCOUT...

...HELP
A LITTLE OLD
LADY CARRY HER
GROCERIES?



WE CALLED
YOU, DEAR. SEVERAL
TIMES...

BEN EVEN
BOUGHT **TEXTING
FOR DUMMIES**.

I KNOW,
MAY. IT'S
JUST...

I'M
SORRY.

I THOUGHT
YOU MIGHT BE
ANGRY.

GWEN...
HONEY, ARE YOU
SERIOUS?

NO MATTER
HOW WE FEEL ABOUT
YOUR FATHER RIGHT
NOW--YOU COULDN'T
HAVE--

WHY WOULD
WE BE ANGRY
WITH YOU?

BECAUSE...
GOD...I...AUNT
MAY...

I
KNEW.

I
KNEW DAD WAS
HELPING SPIDER-
WOMAN.



OH, GOD.
"YOUR"...

"YOUR
FATHER."

SHE KNOWS.

HER SCRAPBOOKS,
THE NEWS CLIPPINGS...

THE FIGHT WITH
KRAVEN...THE
POT ROAST...

HOW LONG HAS
SHE KNOWN?!

I'M
SORRY, I GOTTA
GO!

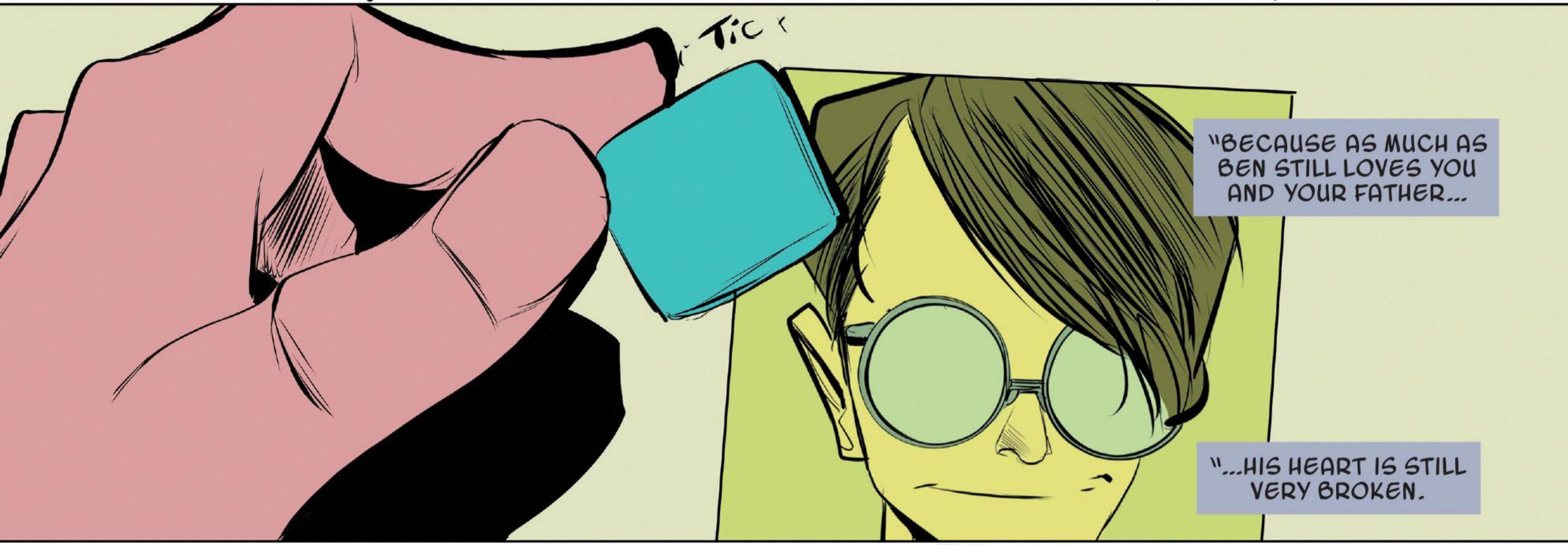
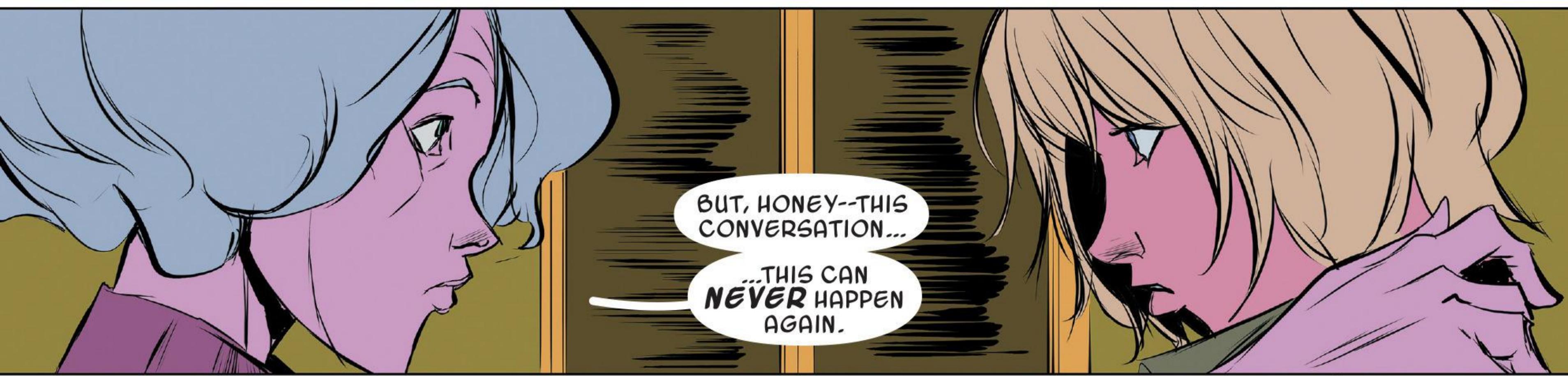
I JUST
CAN'T. CAN'T
BE HERE...

GWEN--
STOP. LISTEN
TO ME.
WHAT
I'M SAYING
IS...

...IF
SPIDER-WOMAN IS
STILL FREE BECAUSE
YOUR FATHER
BELIEVES IN
HER...

...BELIEVES
SHE MIGHT BE THE
HERO I FEEL SHE
COULD GROW
TO BE...

...THEN I
STILL BELIEVE IN
THE STACYS.



YOU HUNGRY?!

THWAP

'CAUSE WE'RE STARVING DOWN HERE!

JESS?
JESSICA DREW?

JESS,
WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
HERE?

NUH-UH.
NO WAY.

DOPEDY SPEECHES ABOUT ANSWERING THE CALL OF THE INTERDIMENSIONAL SPIDER-SISTERHOOD ARE YOUR JOB...

ME?
I JUST CAME FOR THE CLOWNTOWN BURGERS.



YOUR NANNY HAS A
PORKY-PINE COSTUME?
DAWWW.

YOU TWO
ARE CUTE. DEAL
WITH IT.

ME AND
ROGER? **MAN**, YOU
REALLY NEED A LIFE,
Y'KNOW THAT?

SERIOUSLY.
SURE, TIME AND SPACE
ARE SCREWY...

...BUT IT'S
BEEN, WHAT,
MONTHS HERE SINCE
YOU LOST YOUR
POWERS?

WHAT HAS
GWEN STACY
DONE WITH ALL
THAT TIME?

I--I DON'T
KNOW. I WENT TO
A CONCERT...

THERE
WAS A HAUNTED
CARNIVAL...

DOLLAR
DOG...

HEY, C'MON,
JUST SAYIN', ASIDE FROM
THE DRAMA...

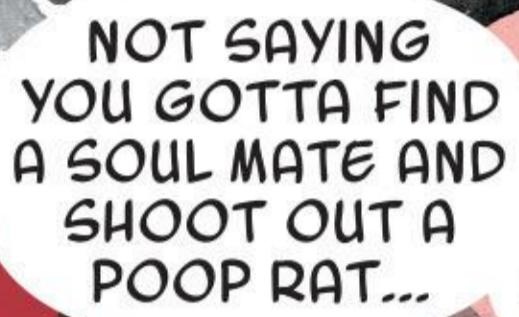
...WHAT'S
DIFFERENT IN
YOUR **REAL**
LIFE?

'CAUSE
YOU'RE RIGHT. ME
AND ROGER AND
GERRY ARE...

...WELL,
WHATEVER WE ARE...
IT'S GOTTA BE MY CHIEF
RESPONSIBILITY NOW.

AND THAT
MEANS THAT AS
MUCH AS I'D LIKE
TO--

--I CAN'T
ALWAYS COME TO
YOUR EMOTIONAL
RESCUE FIRST,
Y'KNOW?



NOT SAYING
YOU GOTTA FIND
A SOUL MATE AND
SHOOT OUT A
POOP RAT...



WHO'S
MOMMY'S LITTLE
POOP RAT?



I MEAN,
C'MON--THERE'S
GOTTA BE A BOY,
RIGHT? A GIRL?
SOMEONE?



I...
UH...



GWEN,
IF YOU SAY THAT
STUPID SPIDER-PIG,
I SWEAR...



NO. NO. I
GUESS...



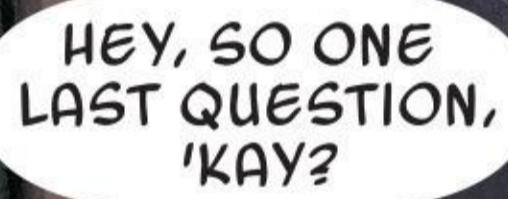
...GUESS I
JUST HAVEN'T
REALLY THOUGHT
MUCH ABOUT
THAT.



=SIGH=--
EVERYONE ALIVE
IS **OBSESSED**
WITH THEIR LOVE
LIVES...



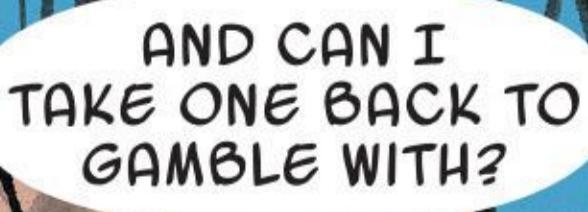
...AND
BECAUSE
I'M THE WORST, I
WANT YOU TO RUIN
YOURSELF,
TOO.



HEY, SO ONE
LAST QUESTION,
'KAY?



DOES THIS
WORLD HAVE **SPORTS**
ALMANACS?



AND CAN I
TAKE ONE BACK TO
GAMBLE WITH?



UGGGGH.



HUH?
I DON'T GET
IT.



WAIT, WAIT,
WAIT--BACK TO
THE FUTURE 2 IS A
MOVIE HERE,
RIGHT?



"TWO" OR
"TWO"?



CAN WE
PLEASE--JUST--
EAT?

UHM...SOMEBODY'S
GONNA SAY **SOMETHING**,
RIGHT?

I MEAN, WE
SHOULD, LIKE...GIVE
THANKS, RIGHT?

YUM!

GEEZ, COME
BACK TO THE FUTURE,
ROGER.

THIS IS
EARTH-65. NOT
1965.

NO.
ROGER'S RIGHT.
WE SHOULD.

I
MEAN, I AM
THANKFUL.

TOLDJA DOPEY SPEECHES
ARE HER MOVE.

GO ON,
THEN...

I JUST...
I WAS JUST
THINKING ABOUT
WHAT YOU SAID,
JESS.

ABOUT
HOW I NEED
SOMETHING **REAL**
IN MY LIFE.

SOMETHING
THAT'S NOT JUST
THE COSTUME. NOT
JUST WORK.

I CAN'T
LIE. I FEEL LONELY A
LOT. ESPECIALLY AT
THE HOLIDAYS.

AND
IT'S NOT JUST ALL
THIS STUFF WITH
DAD.

I ALWAYS
HAVE.

EVEN WHEN
EVERYONE I LOVE
IS AROUND.

EVEN WHEN
I KNOW HOW RARE
FINDING THE TIME TO
ALL BE TOGETHER
IS.

"I GUESS I'M JUST
ALWAYS WAITING FOR
THE OTHER SHOE TO
DROP, Y'KNOW?"

"FOR IT ALL
TO GO AWAY."

"I WORRY SO MUCH ABOUT
THE FUTURE THAT I FORGET
TO BE IN THE PRESENT."

"TO APPRECIATE
THE MOMENT."

"TRUTH IS--THE PEOPLE WE CARE FOR DO COME AND GO."

"AND, YEAH, SOMETIMES THEY DON'T COME BACK."

"THAT'S LIFE."

"BUT FOCUSING ON WHAT YOU COULD LOSE..."

"...OR WHAT YOU'VE LOST..."

"...THAT'S NOT LIVING."

"LIVING IS MAKING THE MOST..."

"...OF YOUR TIME WITH THE GOOD PEOPLE WHO COME INTO YOUR LIFE."

"AND BEING THANKFUL FOR WHAT YOU'VE BEEN GIVEN."

CLEAR EYES!
FULL HEARTS! CAN'T
LOSE!

UH...
YEAH...SURE,
ROGER.

STUPID DOPEY SPEECHES.

PUT THE GAME ON, PLEASE, ROGER.

BUT IT'S NOT EVEN OUR TEAMS.

FOOTBALL IS FOOTBALL, ROGER.

NO WAY, TOTALLY WATCHING THAT WEIRD PARADE.

WOW, WHAT THE WHU--

BREAKING NEWS: KOALA KOMMANDER ATTACK!

...NO ONE CAN! DE!

RUN, AMERICANS! FLEE THE KOALA KOMMANDER!

FOR IF AUSTRALIA CAN'T HAVE THANKSGIVING...

WHAT IS THIS AWESOME NONSENSE?!

YOU
DID THIS ON
PURPOSE.

WHAT?
I DID
WHAT?

GRUMBLE...
YOU AND YOUR STUPID
POWER LOSS...
GRUMBLE.

STUPID
EARTH...GRUMBLE...
WORST STUPID EARTH...
GRUMBLE...

GRUMBLE...
NO GOOD DEED GOES
UNPUNISHED...

SURE. BY ALL
MEANS...C'MON,
ROGER!

LET'S GO STOP
THE #@%\$ KOALA
KOMMANDER!

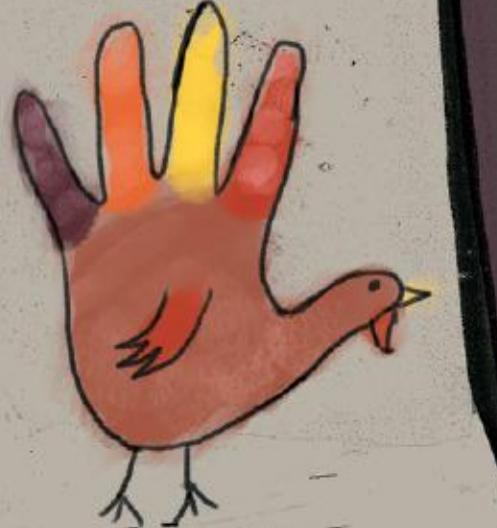
PUNCHING
KOALAS? MAN,
I'M ALREADY
THERE!

WHAT?!
YOU'RE JUDGING ME
FOR THIS?!

LOOK
AT YOU...

YOUR BOYFRIEND IS
DRESSED LIKE A FREAKIN'
PORCUPINE!

HAPPY
THANKSGIVING,
Y'ALL!



SHAM

NEXT: 'TIS
THE SEASON!

PARKER, BEN

REAL NAME: Benjamin Parker
OCCUPATION: Electrician, Handyman
FIRST APPEARANCE: Spider-Gwen #3 (vol. 0)

PARKER, MAY

REAL NAME: May Reilly Parker
OCCUPATION: Daily Bugle Copy Editor (retired)
FIRST APPEARANCE: Spider-Gwen #4 (vol. 0)

OTHER ALIASES: Uncle Ben, Aunt May
KNOWN RELATIVES: Peter Parker (nephew, deceased),
Richard and Mary Parker (in-laws, deceased)
HOME: Forest Hills, Queens, NY

PARTIAL HISTORY: As a young woman, May Reilly's relatively quiet summer job as a lifeguard was interrupted when Ben Parker, an exemplary athlete at Queens Midtown High, foolishly accepted a challenge to swim out to the beach's farthest buoy. After nearly drowning, Ben vowed to repay May for saving his life. He soon became a regular at her beach stand, waking early to bring her coffee and the Daily Bugle. Shared books and conversations led to friendship, and by summer's end they were dating. A few short months later they were married.

After decades of happy marriage, tragedy struck when Ben's younger brother Richard and his wife Mary died in a car accident, leaving behind their young son, Peter. Ben and May adopted Peter soon after and lovingly raised him as if he were their own. Though he was preternaturally brilliant, the death of Peter's parents left him feeling alienated from his fellow high school students. The lone exception being his neighbor Gwen Stacy, who, having lost her mother at a young age herself, showed great empathy for Peter. The bond between the two children soon extended to the Parkers and Gwen's father Captain George Stacy, who became one of the couple's closest friends.

Years later, an unusual accident granted Gwen Stacy superhuman powers, which she used to secretly become the Spider-Woman. Stacy began to use her powers to help those around her, chiefly by standing up to the local bullies who had singled out Peter. But when the attacks continued in spite of this, Peter used his scientific knowledge in an attempt to gain powers like his idol, Spider-Woman. The experiment went awry and transformed Peter into a monstrous Lizard, at which point he attacked the Midtown Senior Prom. When Spider-Woman intervened, the ensuing battle leaves Peter dead, with no evidence or link to his transformation.

In the wake of Peter's death, May's former employer, J. Jonah Jameson, the editor-in-chief and publisher of the Daily Bugle, discovered that he could dominate the 24-hour news cycle by spreading a campaign of fear centered around the "menace" of Spider-Woman. Jameson reached out to May and Ben Parker, twisting their pain and grief into a hyperbolic series of headlines, chief among them the Parkers' plea for Spider-Woman to use her "great power with great responsibility." As a result, Spider-Woman was blamed for Parker's death and branded a criminal.

Seeking to help his dearest friends find closure, Captain Stacy vowed to the Parkers that he would capture and bring Spider-Woman to justice. But after months of pursuit, Stacy was shocked when Spider-Woman first saved him from an attempt on his life by the Kingpin and then revealed herself as his daughter, Gwen.

Tortured by this knowledge, Stacy's moral struggles became apparent to his precinct, and he was soon replaced on the Spider-Woman task force by Captain Frank Castle. Shortly thereafter, a confrontation between Spider-Woman and the Vulture at the Stacy home spilled over into the street, where a wounded and woozy Stacy was aided by Ben Parker.

Having largely avoided the Parkers since Peter's death, Gwen visited their home in order to check on her wounded father. Here Gwen discovered a scrapbook of news headlines on Spider-Woman that May has been collecting. May revealed to Gwen that though the scrapbook began as Peter's project, it soon evolved into something of an investigation. Through careful examination, May was able to look past Jameson's hyperbole and was convinced that Spider-Woman's involvement in Peter's death was unintentional. In fact, she believed Spider-Woman was trying to be a hero in order to honor Peter. This conversation re-emboldened Gwen and she returned to her life as Spider-Woman.

In the months that followed, Ben has continued to encourage George Stacy to find Peter's killer. And Spider-Woman once again entered their lives as May intervened to help her defend the Stacys from an attack by Kraven the Hunter.

With Captain Stacy in jail for helping Spider-Woman, the relationship between the Stacys and Parkers has grown strained. Gwen Stacy is currently convinced that May knows her secret identity, but is also convinced that she is an ally. However, where Ben Parker stands remains to be seen. ■



BEN PARKER

HEIGHT: 6'1" (approximate)
WEIGHT: 215 lbs (approximate)
EYES: Blue

SUPER-POWERS: None.

SKILLS/TALENTS: Ben Parker is a skilled electrician, carpenter, and handyman. For fun, he enjoys cooking.

May Reilly Parker is a talented proofreader and editor. Her sharp eye for grammar, subtext, and meaning has served her well for over 20 years on the copy desk of the Daily Bugle, but perhaps her greatest skill is her ability to survive Ben's "cooking" for decades.

FUN FACT: Ben and May are still very much in love after all these years. They even still cuddle on the couch.

MAY PARKER

HEIGHT: 5'6" (approximate)
WEIGHT: 120 lbs (approximate)
EYES: Blue

SPIDER-GWEN

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THE SEVEN SEAS

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**BLACK MANTA
EMPIRE**



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