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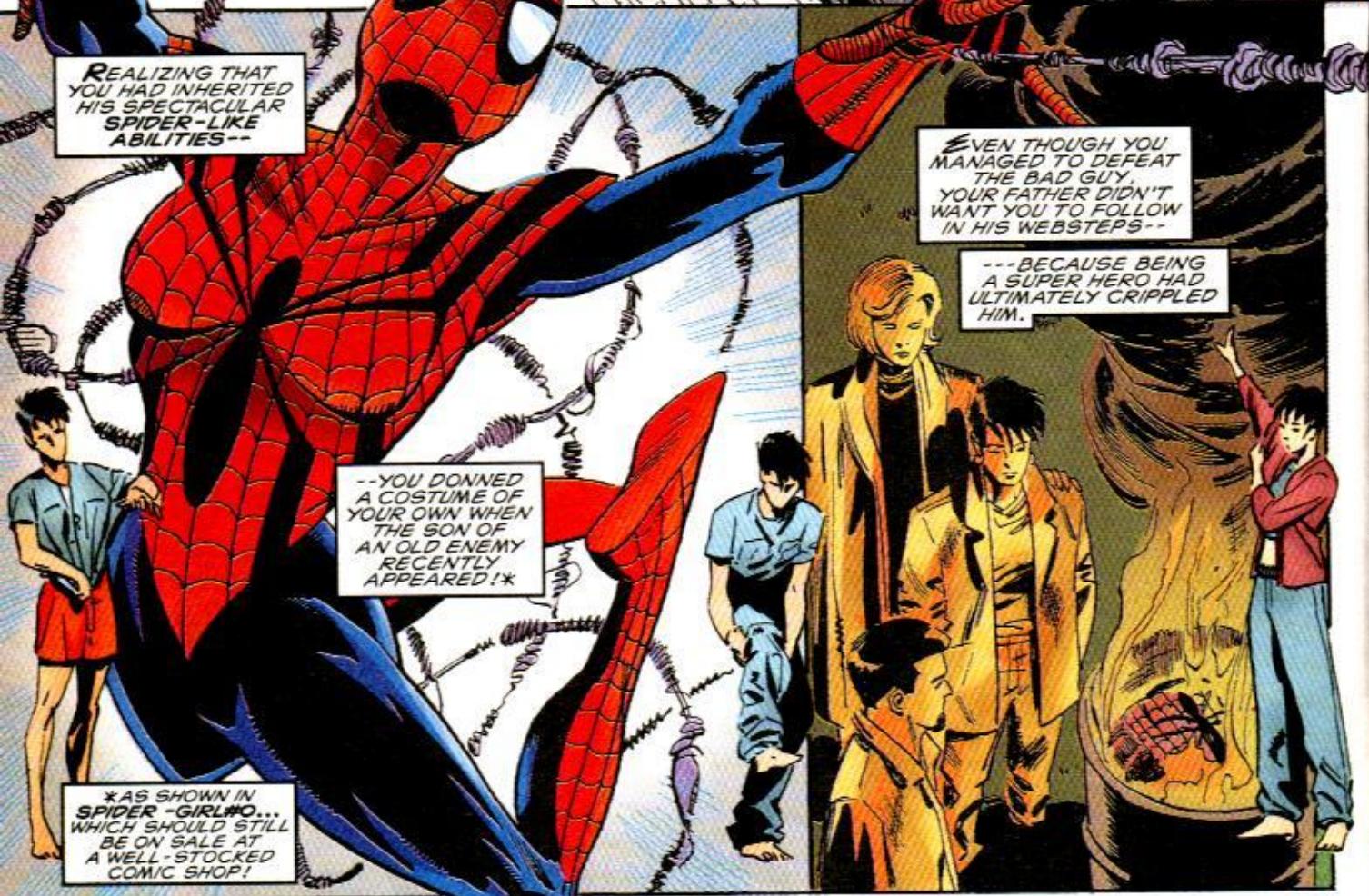
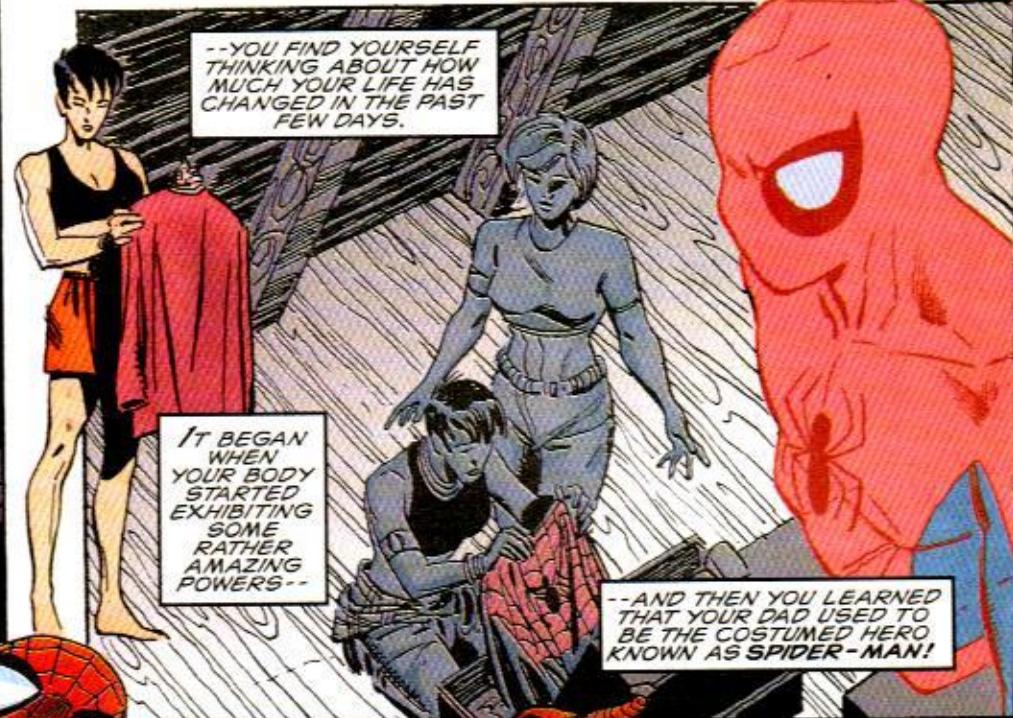
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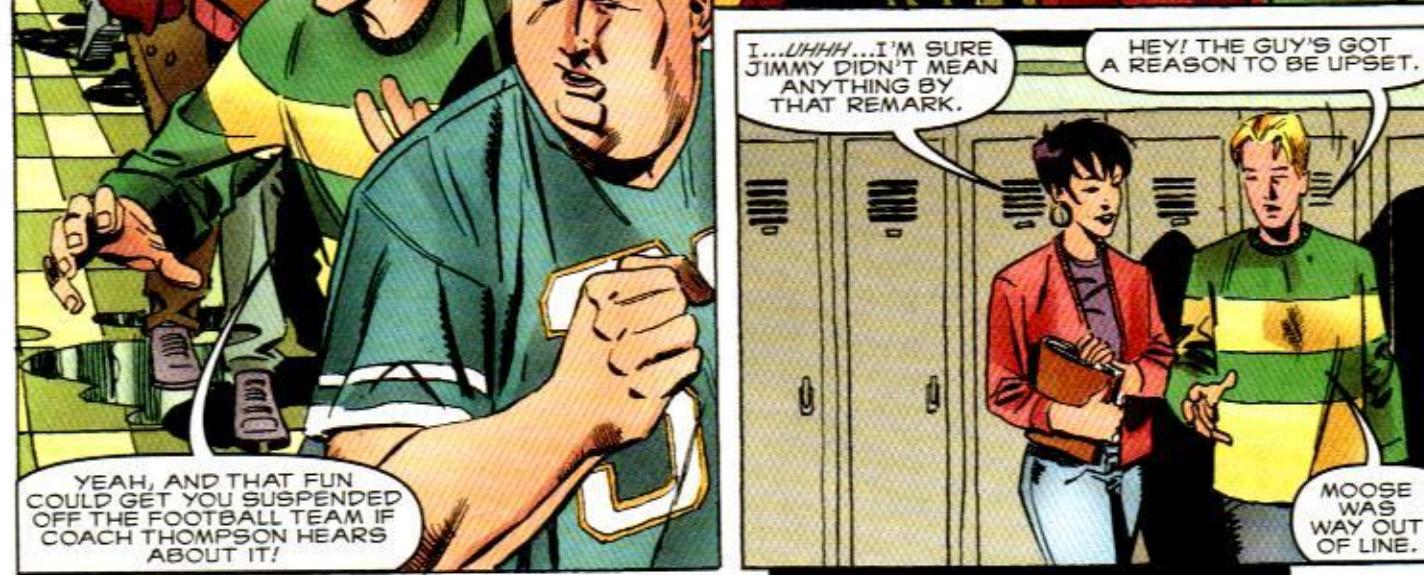
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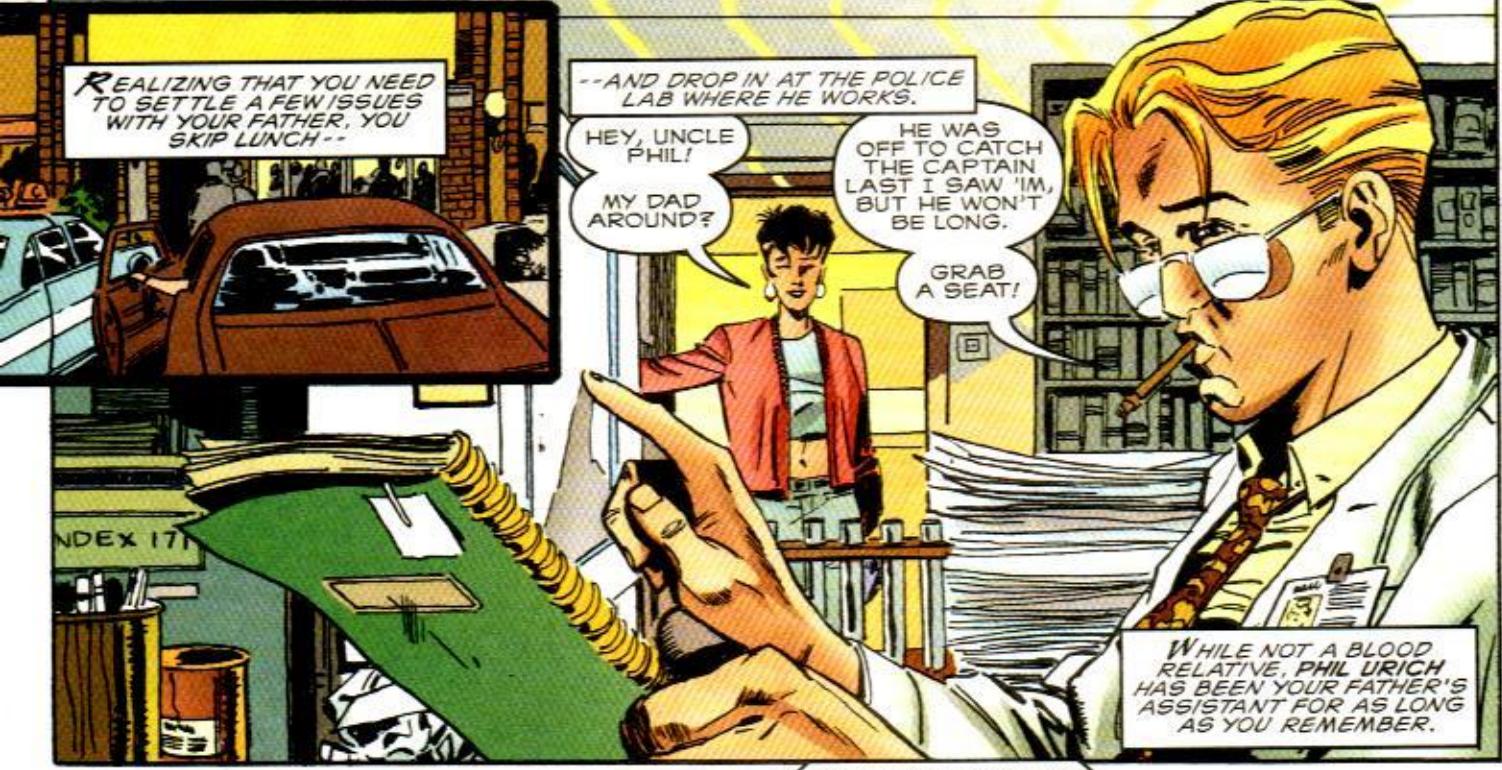
BECAUSE YOU DEMANDED IT!  
THE WILDEST (AND CUTEST)  
WEB-SWINGER OF ALL!





--AND BARELY REMEMBER YOUR SPIDER-LIKE STRENGTH IN TIME TO PREVENT YOU FROM SENDING THEM FLYING IN OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS!





"THE WAY I HEARD THE STORY, FROM SOMEONE WHO SHOULD KNOW, THE WALL-CRAWLER'S LIFE TOOK A REAL WICKED TURN ONE NIGHT--

"A FEW DAYS LATER,  
HIS INACTION  
CAME BACK TO HAUNT HIM--



--WHEN HE DELIBERATELY IGNORED A CRY FOR HELP AND ALLOWED A FLEEING BURGLAR TO ESCAPE CAPTURE.



--WHEN THE SAME BURGLAR MURDERED SOMEONE VERY CLOSE TO HIM."

AS I RECALL, SPIDEY HAD A SPECIAL SAYING WHICH WENT SOMETHING LIKE... "WITH GREAT POWER YADA-YADA GREAT RESPONSIBILITY!"

THE YADA-YADA WAS EITHER "THERE SHOULD COME" OR "THERE MUST COME"--IT'S BEEN SO LONG I FORGET!

Z WAVE OF COMPASSION SWEEPS OVER YOU AS YOU TRY TO IMAGINE THE GUILT YOUR POOR FATHER MUST HAVE CARRIED--

--AND MAY STILL BEAR TO THIS VERY DAY!

YOU REALLY WANT TO KNOW ABOUT SPIDER-MAN--

--TALK TO YOUR DAD!



THAT'S MY PLAN, UNCLE PHIL!

MAY?! W-WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? IS SOMETHING WRONG?

NAH, I'M JUST TRYING TO MOOCH A LUNCH!

I HATE TO PUT YOU OFF, HON...BUT THE CAPTAIN AND I ARE MEETING AN ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY ABOUT A CASE.

THIS THE YOUNG BASKETBALL STAR YOU ALWAYS BRAG ABOUT, PARKER?

THAT'S HER, CAPTAIN RUIZ!

NO BIGGIE.



EVEN AS THE THREE OF YOU EXIT THE POLICE STATION--

POLICE  
MIDTOWNSOUTH

-AN INCREASINGLY FAMILIAR TINGLE SUDDENLY DANCES ACROSS YOUR AWARENESS.

A QUICK GLANCE AT YOUR FATHER CONFIRMS THAT HE ALSO SENSES THE DANGER--

--BUT HE'S HAD MORE PRACTICE AT THIS KIND OF THING AND SEEMS TO HAVE ALREADY PINPOINTED ITS SOURCE.

FOLLOWING HIS EXPRESSION, YOU TAKE A FAST PEEK OVER YOUR SHOULDER--

--SCROLLING THROUGH THE PASSERS-BY--

--UNTIL YOU LOCK ON THE ONLY OBVIOUS SUSPECT!

OFF DUTY

IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE, MS. PARKER.

THIS IS WHERE WE PART COMPANY, YOUNG LADY.

I ASSUME YOU'RE HEADED DIRECTLY BACK TO SCHOOL.

UHHH... YEAH... SURE! I'LL CATCH YOU TONIGHT, DAD.

NICE MEETING YOU, CAPTAIN.

YOUR FATHER'S TONE LEAVES NO DOUBT TO HIS SUBTEXT.

IF HE DOESN'T WANT YOUR HELP, NO PROBLEM!

YOU HAVE TO BOUNCE BACK TO MIDTOWN HIGH FOR ENGLISH LIT. ANYWAY.

YOU HAVE RESPONSIBILITIES AND CONCERN'S OF YOUR OWN...

YEAH...

BUT YOU ONLY HAVE ONE FATHER!

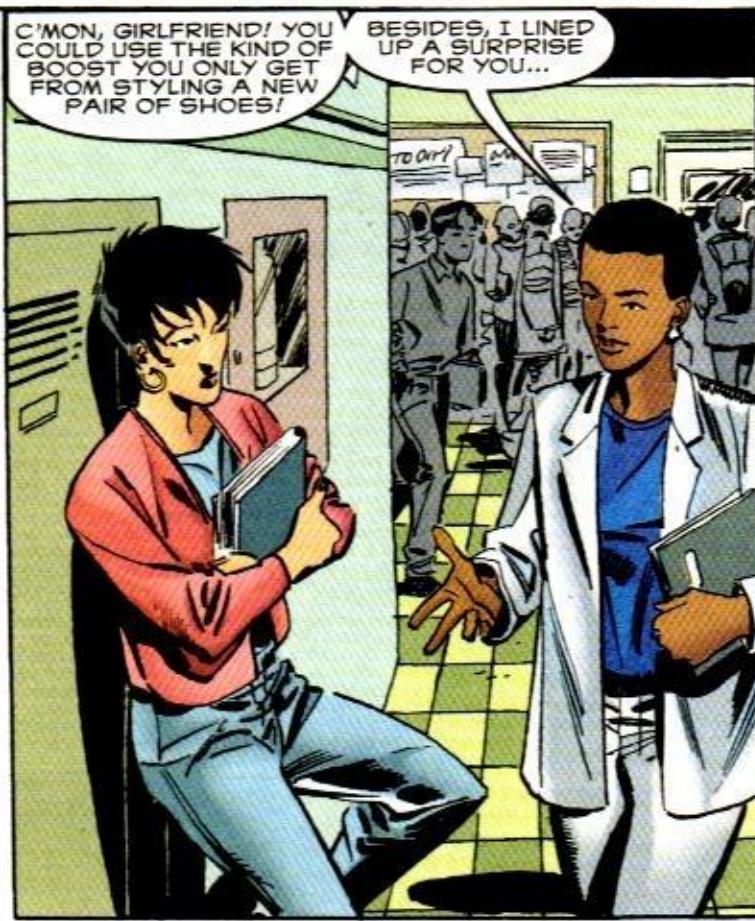


--AND YOU HAVE TO SMILE--





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# MIDTOWN



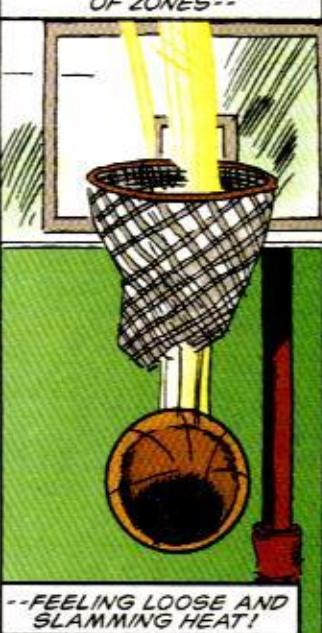
EVEN AS YOUR TEAMMATES TRY TO SHUT YOU DOWN, YOU SURRENDER TO YOUR SPIDER-SENSE--



--WEAVING--

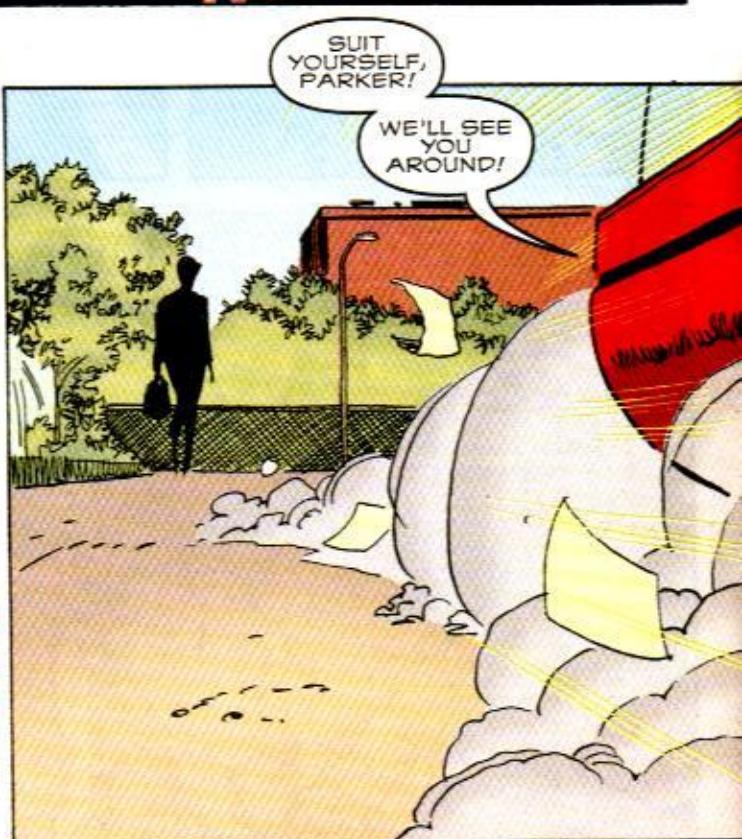
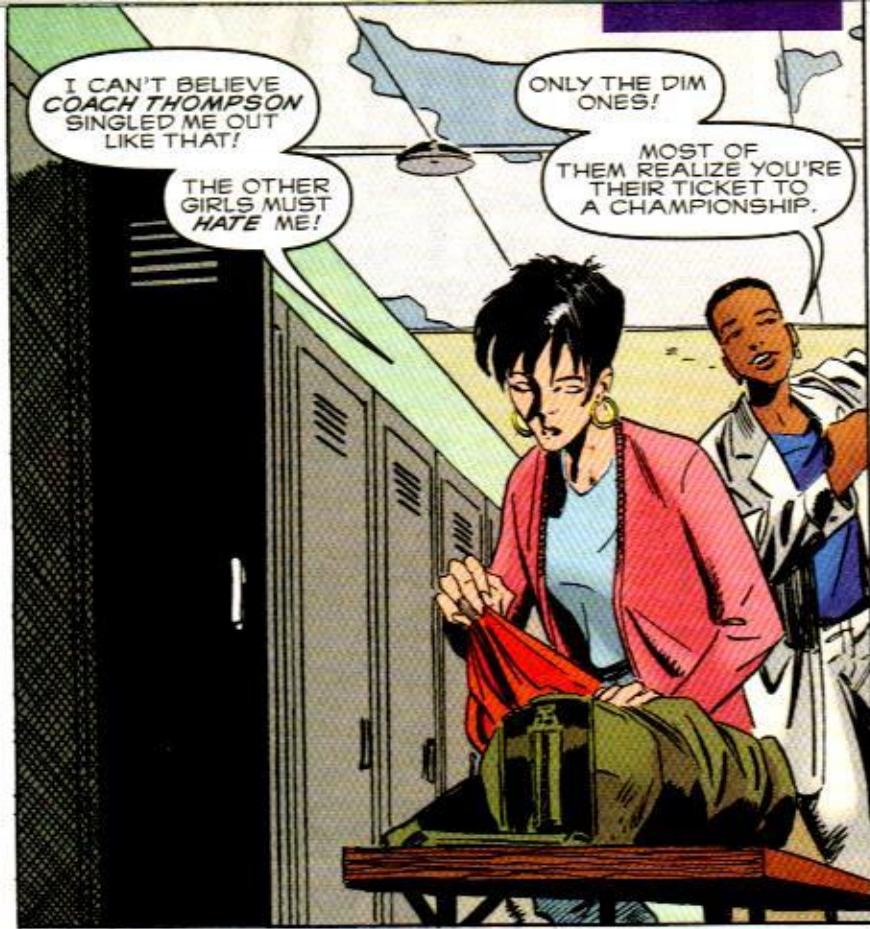


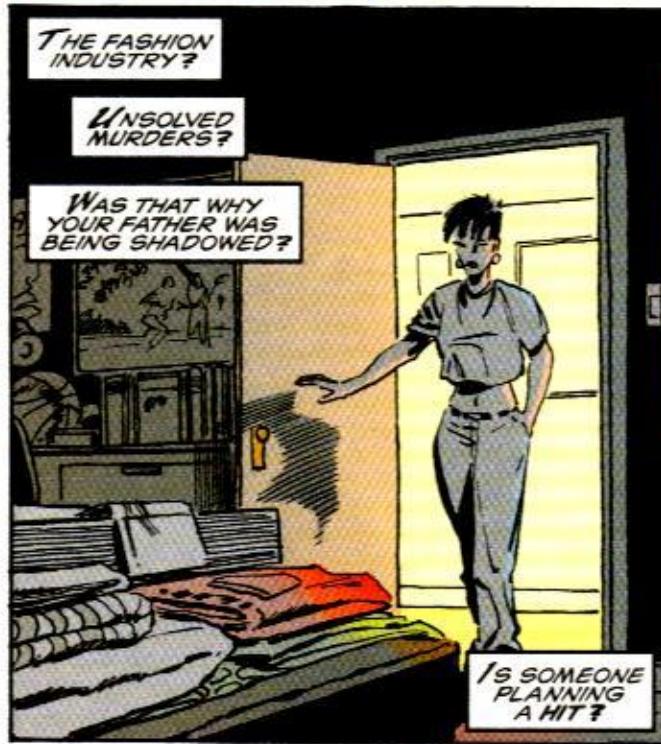
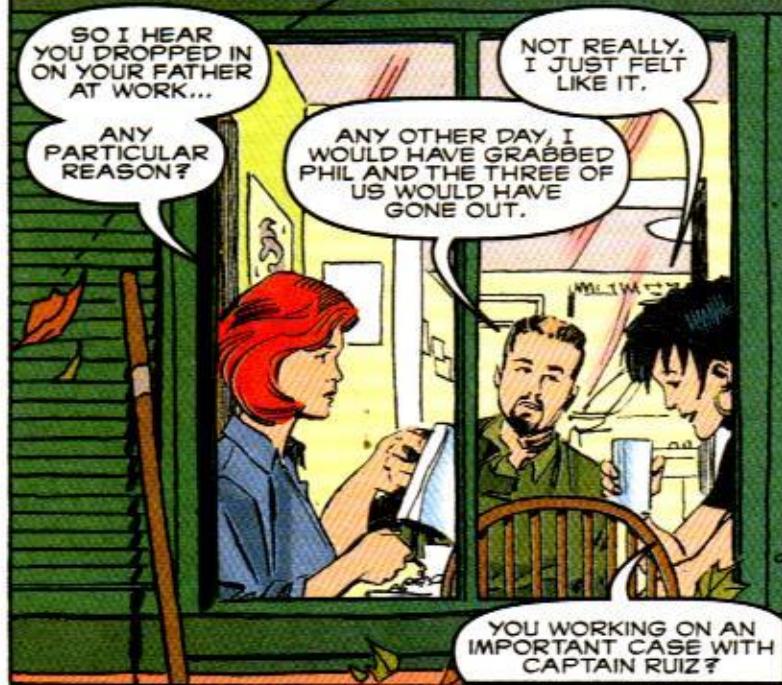
...AND, FOR THE BRIGHTEST OF MOMENTS, YOU'RE BACK IN YOUR HAPPIEST OF ZONES--



BUT, ONCE YOU'VE RETURNED TO EARTH, YOU REALIZE THIS ISN'T FAIR!







**Z**ACCORDING TO UNCLE PHIL, YOUR DAD BECAME A HERO BECAUSE SOMEONE DIED...

**Z**AFTER YOUR FIRST AND ONLY APPEARANCE AS SPIDER-GIRL, YOUR DAD TRASHED ALL HIS OLD EQUIPMENT...



OR SO HE THOUGHT!

BUT YOU HAD SECRETLY STASHED A PAIR OF WEB-SHOOTERS AND A HANDFUL OF WEB-CARTRIDGES.

IT'S NOT LIKE YOU WERE PLANNING ANYTHING LIKE THIS--OH, NO!

OTHERWISE YOU'D BE WEARING SOMETHING A BIT MORE FASHIONABLE THAN AN OLD LYCRA GYM SUIT, A PAIR OF SILK GLOVES AND A BLACK SKI MASK!

THIS IS A ONE-TIME OCCURRENCE!

**Z**SITUATION FORCED ON YOU BY CIRCUMSTANCES BEYOND YOUR CONTROL!

YEAH... RIIIIIGHT!



HEY, BOSS! BOSS!  
SOME CRAZY NINJA  
IS SPYING ON YOU!

CARELESS,  
MAY...

--IF THERE IS  
A NEXT TIME!

SHE'S TRAPPED--  
CAUGHT BETWEEN  
THE MEN IN THE HALL  
AND US.

NEXT TIME YOU REALLY  
SHOULD PAY MORE  
ATTENTION TO YOUR  
SPIDER-SENSE--

SPARE ME  
THE RUNNING  
COMMENTARY, AND  
BLAST HER!

WHAT  
THE--?!

T-THERE'S NO  
STOPPING HER!

I-IT'S LIKE  
TRYING TO  
PUNCH  
THE WIND!

**PPP PLEASE!**

SHE'S ONLY  
A WELL-TRAINED  
ATHLETE...AND HARDLY  
A MATCH FOR  
MR. NOBODY!

W-WHERE'D  
YOU POP  
UP FROM?!

MY! MY! LOOK  
AT OUR EGO--!

YOU INSTINCTIVELY  
LEAP BACKWARD,  
BARELY AVOIDING  
HIS DEADLY  
FUSILLADE.

DON'T INSULT  
MY INTELLIGENCE,  
YOUNG WOMAN!

YOU WOULDN'T  
BE HERE IF YOU  
DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT  
MY ABILITY TO  
TELEPORT!

LOOK OUT,  
BOSS! DON'T  
SHOOT!  
PLEASE DON'T

**ARRGH!**

**BRADA-DA-DA!**



AND THUS--

--YOU POUNCE  
THE VERY INSTANT  
HE MATERIALIZES!

ARR  
RGH!

SCORE ONE FOR  
THE HOME TEAM!

WITH A LITTLE MORE  
PRACTICE, YOU MIGHT  
ACTUALLY GET A HANDLE  
ON THIS HERO GIG!

BUT THEN...

FREEZE!

YOU'RE ALL  
IN POLICE  
CUSTODY!



GREAT! HASN'T THE EVENING BEEN  
TRAUMATIC ENOUGH? ARE YOU REALLY  
GOING TO ALLOW YOURSELF TO BE  
CAPTURED BY YOUR DAD'S BOSS?

ZS IFFFF!

YOU'VE  
ALREADY DONE  
YOUR PART.

THE POLICE  
CAN EASILY  
GATHER UP  
MR. NOBODY  
AND  
HIS GOONS--

--OR SO YOU  
BELIEVE!

EVEN  
AS RUIZ  
SHOUTS  
BEHIND  
YOU--



--A WARM SMILE  
SPREADS BENEATH  
YOUR MASK.

NOT TOO SHABBY  
FOR A BEGINNER!



A PITY...

THE KINGPIN OF CRIME DOES NOT REACT WELL TO COMPLICATIONS.

YOU HEAR THE FOOTSTEPS SLOWLY APPROACHING, AND YOU BURROW EVEN DEEPER INTO YOUR COVERS...

WHAT CAN YOU SAY TO HIM?

HOW CAN YOU POSSIBLY EXPLAIN YOUR ACTIONS?

THE SUBJECT OF SPIDER-GIRL HAS BEEN ACTIVELY AVOIDED EVER SINCE YOU FIRST DISCOVERED YOUR POWERS.

BUT YOU KNOW YOUR PARENTS WELL ENOUGH TO GUESS THEIR STAND ON YOU BECOMING A COSTUMED CRIMEFIGHTER--

--ON YOU RISKING YOUR LIFE!

--YOU STEEL YOURSELF FOR A BITTER ARGUMENT--

--WHICH, THANKFULLY, NEVER COMES.

IT MAY STILL LOOM IN YOUR FUTURE...

BUT YOU'RE SAFE TONIGHT!

FUNNY HOW THINGS WORKED OUT...

YOUR FATHER BECAME A HERO BECAUSE SOMEONE DIED.

THANKS TO YOUR ACTIONS, YOUR FATHER WILL LIVE.

THERE'S A LOT TO SAY FOR BEING PROACTIVE!



IT'S AN IDEA THAT COMFORTS AND CARRIES YOU THROUGH THE DAYS WHICH FOLLOW.



DAYS FILLED WITH SECRETS AND SUBTERFUGE...



DRUDGERY AND FRUSTRATION...



CLANDESTINE ACTS AND MOMENTOUS DECISIONS!



IN THE END, YOU ARE STILL PLAGUED BY DOUBTS---

-- QUESTIONS --

-- AND COUNTLESS INSECURITIES!

**ALL YOU KNOW FOR SURE  
IS THAT YOUR NAME IS  
MAY "MAYDAY" PARKER...**



**AND, AT LEAST FOR  
THE FORESEEABLE  
FUTURE, YOU ARE  
ALSO...**

**THE  
STUNNING  
SPIDER-  
GIRL!**

**THE BEGINNING --!**

THE NEXT GENERATION

OF

AVENGERS!

TM  
NEXT

SPECIAL  
BONUS  
PREVIEW!



NOW  
THAT YOU'VE READ  
*SPIDER-GIRL #0*,  
HERE'S A QUICK LOOK  
AT *AVENGERS  
NEXT #1*!

FRENZ /

THE FIRST  
OF A NEW  
SERIES  
OF BOOK-  
LENGTH  
EPICS  
FEATURING  
THE NEXT  
GENERATION  
OF  
**EARTH'S  
MIGHTIEST  
HEROES!**

THE PLACE: ASGARD,  
THE LEGENDARY HOME  
OF THE NORSE GODS!  
THE TIME: A PRESENT...  
WHICH MAY OR MAY NOT  
BE OUR OWN!  
THE MAN: TYRUS THE  
TERRIBLE, A RATHER  
MISANTHROPIC ROCK  
TROLL!  
THE SITUATION: KEEP  
READING AND FIND OUT--!

ATTACK,  
MY BROTHERS!  
**ATTACK!**

WE MUST  
DESTROY THOSE  
WHO DARE DEFY  
OUR MERCILESS  
MASTER!



**THUNDERSTRIKE**



**MAINFRAME**



THE  
STUNNING  
**STINGER**



THE  
UNSTOPPABLE  
**JOLT**



**JUBILEE**



**SPEED  
BALL**



THE  
SUPER-  
CHARGED  
**JOLT**



WARNING! DO NOT TURN  
THIS PAGE UNLESS YOU'RE FULLY  
PREPARED TO EMBARK ON THE  
WILDEST THRILL RIDE IN THE  
HISTORY OF COMICS!

# SECOND COMING!

TOM DEFALCO & RON FRENZ - WORDS / PLOT / PENCILS  
BRETT BREEDING - FINISHED ART  
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SHOUTING WITH SAVAGE GLEE, TWO DOZEN HEAVILY-ARMED TROLLS SUDDENLY SPRING UPON A MOST UNLIKELY TEAM OF HEROES...

JOLT--THEY'RE CLOSING IN TO YOUR LEFT!

THANKS FOR THE HEADS UP, JUBILEE! THAT'S ANOTHER ONE I OWE YOU!

HOW ARE YOU HOLDING UP, KID?

UH... OKAY, I GUESS!

IF THESE SHOCKWAVES ARE ANYTHING TO GO BY, I'D SAY I'M FINALLY GETTING A HANDLE ON MY NEW POWERS!

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CONCENTRATE ON THE BATTLE AT HAND, STINGER!

I AM CONFIDENT THAT WE WILL FIND A WAY TO RETURN TO EARTH WHEN THE TIME COMES.

YAHOO!  
I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE REST OF YOU GUYS... BUT I'M HAVING A TOTAL BLAST!

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WELL... DUHMH!

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BUT THE CRUSADERS GALLANTLY FIGHT ON--GRIMLY AND WITHOUT HESITATION--EVEN THOUGH ONE OF THEIR NUMBER IS WEIGHED DOWN BY THOUGHTS OF GUILT...

T-THIS IS ALL MY FAULT!

I'LL BE RESPONSIBLE IF ANY OF THE OTHERS ARE HURT OR KILLED--!

EVEN AS HE CONTINUES TO BATTLE, THE YOUNG WARRIOR THINKS BACK TO EVENTS WHICH TRANSPRIRED ONLY HOURS AGO...

WELCOME TO AVENGERS HEADQUARTERS

BUILT ON THE SITE OF THE ORIGINAL AVENGERS MANSION THIS WAS THE ACTUAL COMMAND CENTER USED BY EARTH'S MIGHTIEST HEROES UNTIL THEY OFFICIALLY DISBANDED YEARS AGO!

WE AT THE MARIA STARK FOUNDATION HOPE YOU ENJOY THE TOUR.

PLEASE VISIT OUR GIFT KIOSK AS YOU LEAVE, AND REMEMBER THAT ALL PROCEEDS GO TO CHARITY.

MR. MASTERSON? I AM EDWIN JARVIS, CHIEF OF STAFF.

YOU CAN CALL ME KEVIN, SIR. MR. MASTERSON WAS MY FATHER.

AS YOU WISH, KEVIN. PLEASE COME THIS WAY--!

I'M NOT EVEN SURE WHY I'M HERE. I'VE BEEN LIVING IN CALIFORNIA, AND ONLY RECENTLY RETURNED TO NEW YORK TO ATTEND ART SCHOOL.

MY FATHER'S LAWYER-- SAMANTHA JOYCE --INSTRUCTED ME TO CALL YOU.

ON YOUR EIGHTEENTH BIRTHDAY--YES-- MASTER THOR BRIEFED ME FOR THIS OCCASION.

I WON'T CLAIM TO HAVE KNOWN YOUR FATHER VERY WELL--HIS TIME WITH US WAS FAR TOO SHORT--BUT HE WAS A FINE AVENGER!

REALLY?! ACCORDING TO THE HISTORY BOOKS, HE WAS A BIT OF A SCREW-UP!

THOR, HUH? I HAVEN'T SEEN HIM SINCE MY FATHER'S MEMORIAL SERVICE.

TELL YOU THE TRUTH, MR. JARVIS, I'M NOT SURE I'M READY FOR THIS! I STILL HAVE MIXED EMOTIONS ABOUT MY DAD'S...ER...HOBBY.

BEING AN AVENGER IS MUCH MORE THAN A SIMPLE PASTIME.

ONE'S CHARACTER IS FAR MORE IMPORTANT THAN ONE'S SKILL WITH SUPER-POWERS.

IN THAT REGARD, I CAN SAFELY SAY ERIC MASTERSOHN WAS A FINE MAN.

IT WAS MASTER THOR'S HOPE THAT YOU WOULD ACCEPT THIS... HEIRLOOM... IN YOUR FATHER'S MEMORY.

MY DAD'S ENCHANTED MACE-- THUNDERSTRIKE!

BUT I THOUGHT IT WAS DESTROYED YEARS AGO!

OBVIOUSLY NOT.

WHAT'S THE DEAL? AM I SUPPOSED TO PICK UP WHERE DAD LEFT OFF?

THERE WAS A TIME I DREAMED OF BEING A SUPER HERO-- EVEN DESIGNED A COSTUME FOR MYSELF!

IF YOU WISH TO FOLLOW THAT PATH, IT WON'T BE THROUGH THIS WEAPON.

MASTER THOR INFORMED ME THAT THE MACE'S MAGIC WAS TIED TO YOUR FATHER, IT'S ONLY A KEEPSAKE NOW.

I SINCERELY WISH YOU WELL, KEVIN. I CAN CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND YOUR AMBIVALENCE IN REGARD TO THE AVENGERS.

PERHAPS THIS GIFT WILL HELP YOU DISCOVER YOUR TRUE FEELINGS ABOUT YOUR FATHER AND HIS LEGACY.

I HOPE YOU'RE RIGHT, SIR. THANKS FOR YOUR TIME AND PATIENCE.

SUCH A FINE YOUNG MAN! I DARE SAY IS IT MY IMAGINATION... OR ARE HIS FATHER WOULD THOSE RATHER BE MOST PROUD OF-- EH?!

WE HOPE YOU'VE ENJOYED THIS PREVIEW, AND WILL LOOK FOR AVENGERS NEXT #1 ON SALE IN TWO WEEKS!

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Don't panic if you've never read any Marvel Comics before today. It

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Stories which will excite and amuse you! Stories which will make you laugh, cry, and - sometimes -think! Stories about some pretty terrific

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People with honor, courage and integrity! People who have taken the initiative to be heroes!

The kind of people we'd all like to be!

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Thanks for being there!

Tom D.

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