

Character: **Statue of Joseph Stalin Man**
Secret Identity: None
Description: Crapped on by radioactive pigeons for years, this statue of Joseph Stalin came to life and can now switch between being a regular guy who looks just like (but has a personality very different from) Joseph Stalin and being a stone statue of Joseph Stalin who can't move at all.

Cliché (Value): **Turning Into Immobile Stone (4)**
Associated Tasks: Being very heavy, being invulnerable to most physical attacks, being disguised as stone, having a good poker face
Tools: None

Cliché (Value): **Looking Just Like Joseph Stalin (3)**
Associated Tasks: Impersonating a dead dictator, confusing public school children who have no freakin idea who Joseph Stalin is.
Tools: None

Cliché (Value): **Affinity For Birds (2)**
Associated Tasks: Making birds like you, making birds do simple tasks that require them to be no smarter than birds (thinks like eating peanuts or crapping on stuff or flying around)
Tools: None

Cliché (Value): **Comedian (1)**
Associated Tasks: Being witty, making others laugh, invoking levity into grim situations.
Tools: Voice

Statue of Joseph Stalin Man has had a rough time since coming to life in the early 90's near Chernobyl. People constantly mistaking him for an evil, murderous dictator, glasnost, the fall of the USSR nearly sent him into a severe depression. But he's fought back by using his powers of turning into stone for the forces of good! And he's also taken to appearing in comedy clubs on amateur night. Some Kansas comics call him, "The funniest (and only) Russian comic since Yakov Smirnoff!"

Character: **Cornucopia**
Secret Identity: Aklina Pappas
Description: This rotund Greek woman carries with her the Horn of Plenty. She can instantly produce any food she wants from it, which is murder on her diet. But she stands ever ready to give evildoers a mouthful of yummy JUSTICE!.

Cliché (Value): **Producing Food at Will (4)**
Associated Tasks: Producing snacks for the group, producing snacks for herself, feeding the hungry, giving evildoers yucky foods to eat.
Tools: Horn of Plenty

Cliché (Value): **Nutritionist (3)**
Associated Tasks: Knowing just what people should eat to be healthy, knowing when someone is eating something UNHEALTHY. Identifying food allergies.
Tools: Brain

Cliché (Value): **Driving Like a Maniac (2)**
Associated Tasks: Getting places in a hurry, avoiding the police, difficult driving maneuvers, parallel parking
Tools: Car

Cliché (Value): **Stern Countenance (1)**
Associated Tasks: Lecturing young people about proper nutrition, glaring meaningfully at people who make fat jokes, making no bones about “pulling this car over right NOW” to people who complain about her driving.
Tools: Face

Aklina Pappas grew up in Greece where she was a slender, athletic beauty. A hike up Mt. Olympus led to an encounter with the Greek gods whereupon she was given the Horn of Plenty. Since then she has battled her weight constantly.

She volunteered her services to the United Nations to aid the battle against starvation. Her bid to end world hunger met with resistance due to her always wanting to distribute foods that were extremely healthy and generally tasted like crap. When you show up with the Horn of Plenty, people want steak and lobster, swimming in butter, not wheat germ and bean sprouts and stuff like that. After a riot in Ethiopia, the UN reassigned her to Strikeforce: Topeka.

This sent her into an even deeper depression but she has battled her way back, finding new reason to live in the joys of driving fast cars down the long, straight Kansas roads.

Character: **El-Fire-Bow**
Secret Identity: Juan Ramirez
Description: This young Cuban man was born with everburning elbows. He has real talent as a baseball pitcher ("He can bring the HEAT!") but was banned from the Major Leagues because his fiery elbows kept setting the uniforms on fire. He mainly sticks to sleeveless t-shirts now.

Cliché (Value): **Flaming Elbows (4)**
Associated Tasks: Setting things on fire with his elbows, burning through small flammable objects, giving bad guys 2nd degree burns with the flick of an elbow.
Tools: Elbows

Cliché (Value): **Baseball Player (3)**
Associated Tasks: Pitching, catching, throwing, running, sliding.
Tools: Glove, Baseballs

Cliché (Value): **Ladies Man (2)**
Associated Tasks: Winning the affections of adoring female fans, always having a date on weekends, making other superheroes feel less manly
Tools: Dazzling smile

Cliché (Value): **Machismo (1)**
Associated Tasks: Laughing in the face of danger, intimidating those who are not as manly as you are, treating women as objects.
Tools: Brain

Juan Ramirez grew up on the mean streets of Cuba. He was always different from other kids thanks to his ever-flaming elbows. But he earned their respect by striving to become the best baseball player he could. He finally worked his way up through the minors to become a Major League Baseball player but league regulations required that he wear the same uniform as everyone else. His fiery elbows burned through the best scientific efforts that could be mustered and he was finally banned from the sport he dearly loved.

Juan has spent the last several years with a considerable chip on his shoulder. He fights crime to prove his manliness and takes great pride in his skill with the ladies.

Character:	Fugu
Secret Identity:	Matsuo Kazuma
Description:	This Japanese man was bitten by a radioactive pufferfish and now has amazing powers of puffing himself up to very large size. Fun at beach parties. Not so fun when trying to fight crime in an elevator or phone booth..
Cliché (Value):	Puffing Power (4)
Associated Tasks:	Puffing up to large size, puffing up to huge size, puffing up to incredibly huge size, knocking people down, blowing the windows out of small buildings.
Tools:	Body
Cliché (Value):	Samurai Code (3)
Associated Tasks:	Being honorable, respecting others, protecting the weak, being fearless against certain death.
Tools:	Brain
Cliché (Value):	Sushi Chef (2)
Associated Tasks:	Making all variety of sushi and sashimi, cutting up small things with a very sharp knife without cutting yourself.
Tools:	Knives, Raw Fish, Seaweed
Cliché (Value):	Origami (1)
Associated Tasks:	Folding little bits of paper into useful shapes, folding little bits of paper into useless shapes, turning a napkin into a walrus.
Tools:	Paper

Matsuo was bitten by a radioactive puffer fish in his native Japan. Soon thereafter he discovered his amazing puffing powers and, having been raised by decent, honorable people, he vowed to use his powers to fight evil.

Unfortunately for Fugu, Japan's native superheroes were far too effective. He always showed up to crime scenes ready to fight the forces of evil only to find that the Seven Samurai or Divine Wind had already taken care of it. A year ago he decided to leave Japan for the thankfully crime-ridden shores of the U.S. But he found a similar problem in New York with Captain Metropolis and the Statue of Liberty having defeated the evil doers while he was still trying to find his way around the Manhattan subway system.

In frustration, he turned to the U.N. who added him to Strikeforce: Topeka. Since moving to Kansas, Matsuo has found himself holding desperately onto his Japanese heritage, even going so far as to take up Origami, which he frankly isn't too great at thanks to his puffy fingers.

Character: **The Cobbler**
Secret Identity: Doctor Marten Birkenstock
Description: Born of a wealthy German family, he is a frustrated inventor who can never seem to sell any of his inventions. He's venting his frustration by fighting crime using his "Incredishoes" that are clownishly large but should be taken (somewhat) seriously.

Cliché (Value): **Incredishoes (4)**
Associated Tasks: Having all manner of gadgets pop out of his shoes at any given moment.
Tools: Shoes

Cliché (Value): **Mad Scientist (3)**
Associated Tasks: Making crazy gadgets out of everyday items. "Rigging stuff up", having wild, unkempt hair.
Tools: Laboratory or Tool Kit

Cliché (Value): **Remittance Man (2)**
Associated Tasks: Being able to spend all your time on useless gadgets, taking the whole supergroup out to dinner, being an embarrassment the family hopes won't come back to haunt them.
Tools: None

Cliché (Value): **Crazy Old Man (1)**
Associated Tasks: Having kids stay off your lawn, having people let you in line in front of them at the grocery store, getting away with bad manners or boring stories at a dinner party.
Tools: None

Born just after WWII, Doctor Birkenstock was determined to help Germany become an economic powerhouse by revolutionizing the shoe industry. Alas, his many inventions (grapple-toe boots and the "rocket flat" among them) never caught on. When he pleaded with his parents to allow him to go to America to study the jogging craze of the 1970's, they sent him with their blessing and insistence that he not return any time soon.

Since then he's had one commercial failure after another. But the check he gets each month from his parents ensures that he can continue working on his crazy shoe inventions rather than get a "real job". He has taken up superheroism on the side as a way to test the various inventions that he's built into his clownishly large "Incredishoes".

Character: **Rapunzel**
Secret Identity: Vivienne Caumont
Description: Her hair grows really fast, at will. Whether she's whipping you with it or tying you up with it, well, it's all pretty kinky.

Cliché (Value): **Hair Powers (4)**
Associated Tasks: Growing hair very fast, using her hair as a whip, using her hair for binding things or people, using her hair as a rope.
Tools: Head

Cliché (Value): **Hottie (3)**
Associated Tasks: Making men wish they were with you, making women wish they were you, scoring free drinks, breaking hearts.
Tools: Tight Clothing, Makeup

Cliché (Value): **Hairdresser (2)**
Associated Tasks: Cutting hair, styling hair, doing perms, coloring, getting rid of split ends.
Tools: Scissors, Razor, Clippers, Dyes

Cliché (Value): **Condescension (1)**
Associated Tasks: Making people feel small, dismissing those less important than you (almost everybody), being better than everyone else.
Tools: Attitude

Born with her amazing powers of hair growth and a simply dazzling set of locks regardless, Vivienne has always known she was special. Her parents told her so from the time she was a little girl and her amazing good looks took her around the world as a model in her late teens. It was during this time that she learned her way around a pair of scissors as a means of making herself look FABULOUS.

As she grew into adulthood, simply trading on her good looks began to bore her. She wanted to be BETTER than everyone else, not just better looking. So she took to using her lengthy locks as a way to get her foot in the door of the whole superheroine gig. The “big league” teams (particularly the all-male ones) were quick to adopt her. But they soon found that she was rather unskilled at fighting crime and mostly just showed up to have her picture taken at the end of the super battles. She was soon booted from each team she joined.

For the first time in her life, Vivienne is having to try hard at something. She has pursued her position with Strikeforce: Topeka with great dedication in the hopes that she can win her way back onto one of the “real” superteams.