

WHEN STEVE HARMON ACCIDENTALLY ENTERED A PORTAL TO ANOTHER DIMENSION WHILE DRESSED AS A CLOWN, HE EMERGED AS A BEING MADE OF ELECTROPLASM WITH ABILITIES LIKE THOSE OF A CARTOON. HE WAS A NEW WARRIOR, THEN A MERC FOR MONEY, BUT HE DOESN'T REALLY FIT IN ANYWHERE.

SLAPSTICK!

PREVIOUSLY...

SLAPSTICK BATTLED THE BARBARIAN BRO-MAN, WHO WAS SEEKING THE "CHAMPION OF THE REALM." USING BRO-MAN'S SWORD, SLAPSTICK BIASECTED THE BRUTE AND DISCOVERED THAT BRO-MAN WAS MADE OF ELECTROPLASM. SLAPSTICK DRAGGED HIS ATTACKER'S RIGHT HALF TO HIS PARENTS' BASEMENT, WHERE SENTIENT SUPERCOMPUTER QUASIMODO ANALYZED BRO-MAN'S STRUCTURE TO CREATE A PORTAL TO DIMENSION ECCH, WHICH SLAPSTICK HOPED WOULD RESTORE HIS ABILITY TO CHANGE BACK INTO A HUMAN, BUT HE WAS INTERRUPTED BY AGENTS OF A.R.M.O.R. WHILE THE AGENTS WERE INTERROGATING SLAPSTICK AT H.Q., A NEW INTERDIMENSIONAL DISTURBANCE POPPED UP. SLAPSTICK VOLUNTEERED TO HELP...IN EXCHANGE FOR IMMUNITY.

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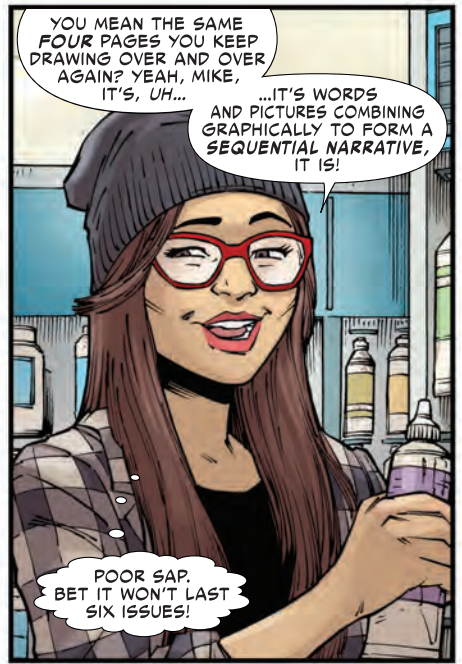
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EXIT 161
(PARAMUS)

...AND THEN MY BUDDY SLAPSTICK, HE JUST CUT THIS BRO-MAN GUY IN HALF--I MEAN, LIKE PERFECTLY, RIGHT DOWN THE MIDDLE!

IT'LL MAKE THE MOST BADASS ACTION SCENE IN THE GRAPHIC NOVEL I'M DOING ABOUT HIM! I TOLD YOU ABOUT IT, RIGHT, JENNY? DID I SHOW YOU THE PAGES?



YOU MEAN THE SAME FOUR PAGES YOU KEEP DRAWING OVER AND OVER AGAIN? YEAH, MIKE, IT'S, UH...

...IT'S WORDS AND PICTURES COMBINING GRAPHICALLY TO FORM A SEQUENTIAL NARRATIVE, IT IS!

POOR SAP. BET IT WON'T LAST SIX ISSUES!



I MEAN, DON'T GET ME WRONG, THE EMPLOYEE DISCOUNT ON ART SUPPLIES HERE AT THE MALL IS PRETTY SWEET.

BUT AS SOON AS I DRAG STEVE WITH ME TO NEW YORK COMIC CON TO HOOK PUBLISHERS ON OUR PITCH, I AM SO--



OW!

YOU ARE SO "OW"? I DON'T GET IT. IS THAT LIKE "BAZINGA"?



NO! IT'S A SPONTANEOUS EXPRESSION OF--

OWW!!



JENNY! CALL SECURITY! WE GOT A WESTWORLD SITUATION BY WAY OF KAY-BEE!

ONE OF THOSE HIGH-END TOYS IS MALFUNCTIONING AGAIN!



THE FIRST LAW OF ROBOTICS IS YOU ALLOW NO HUMANS TO COME TO HARM!

NO HUMANS MEANS NO HUMANS! HOW DARE YOU BLASPHEME AGAINST ASIMOV?!

BROTHERS! IMPOSTER-SYNDROME TAUR KNEW HE HAD NO BUSINESS ATTACKING HUMANS ON HIS OWN! SAVE HIM!



"BROTHERS"?

WHAT... THE...



WHAT THE... WHAT IS HAPPENING?!

SLAPSTICK!



in
FRIENDSHIP IS MURDER!



FORRRRE!

SLAPSTICK TO A.R.M.O.R.! I TELEPORTED INTO THE MALL--

--AND AM KICKING INTERDIMENSIONAL ASS!

CLUB

PARADISE

HOW'S THAT IMMUNITY DEAL COMING ALONG THERE, HOT STUFF?

THIS IS AGENT CABRERA, HARMON. FIGURE OUT HOW TO CONTAIN THOSE CREATURES-- PROTECT THE INNOCENTS INSIDE THE MALL--

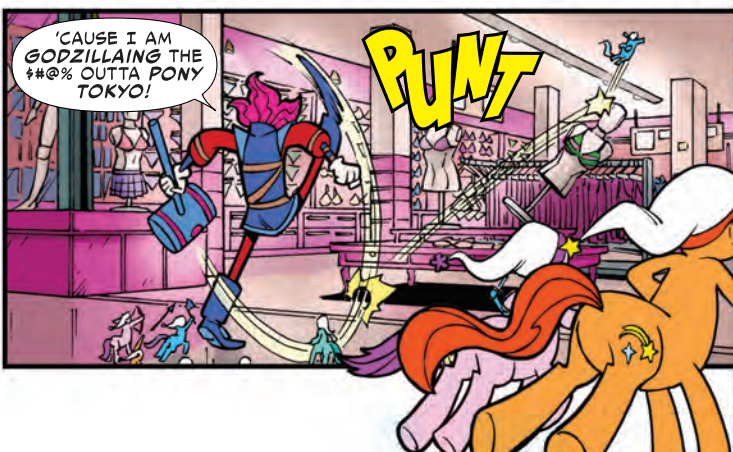
--THEN WE CAN TALK ABOUT OVERLOOKING YOUR PAST INDISCRETIONS.



BUT NOT A MINUTE BEFORE!

JUST SAYIN'-- YOU BETTER START DRAFTING THAT SUCKER.

SQUASH



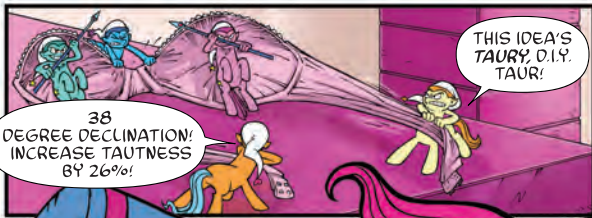
'CAUSE I AM GODZILLAING THE \$#@% OUTTA PONY TOKYO!

PUNT



BRING US THE CHAMPION, CREATURE, OR FACE THE WRATH OF THE TAUR HORDE!

I GOT YOUR CHAMPION RIGHT HERE!
HER NAME'S GERTIE!



THIS IDEA'S TAURY, D.I.Y. TAUR!

38 DEGREE DECLINATION!
INCREASE TAUTNESS
BY 26%!



FIRE!

BRA



POKE

AAAGGH!!

PUT THE LIGHTS BACK ON!

I HAVE THIS PIERCING PAIN IN MY EYES!!

AND I CAN'T SEE WHERE IT'S COMING FROM!



AGGGH! ENOUGH! I'M THROUGH PLAYING GAMES WITH YOU MUNCHKINS!

I CAN'T CURE MY TOON CONDITION IF I'M ROTTING IN SOME A.R.M.O.R. PRISON!

NO MORE MR. NICE CLOWN!
OFF!



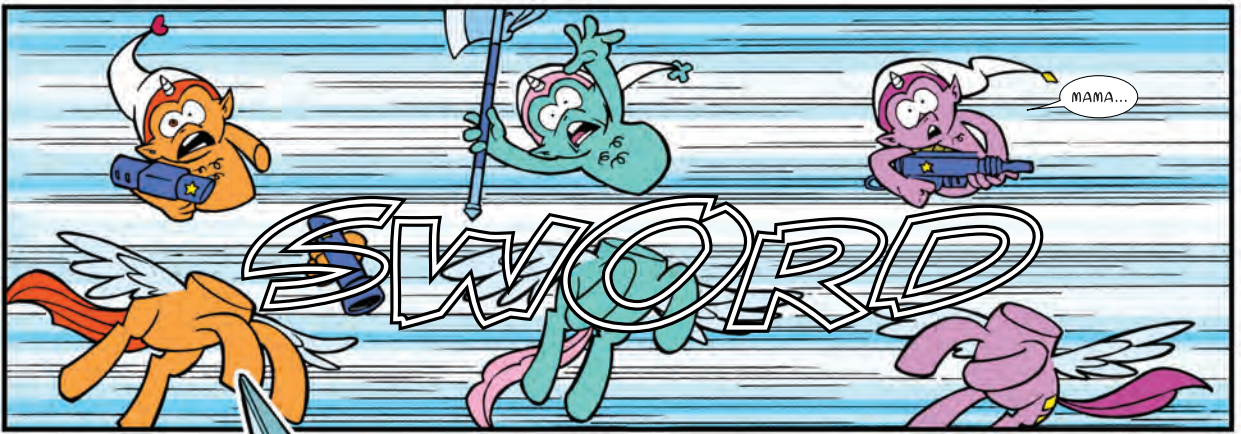
I'M REACHING INTO MY ANGRY PANTS!



PEGATAURS BLAST!

PEGATAURS CHOP!

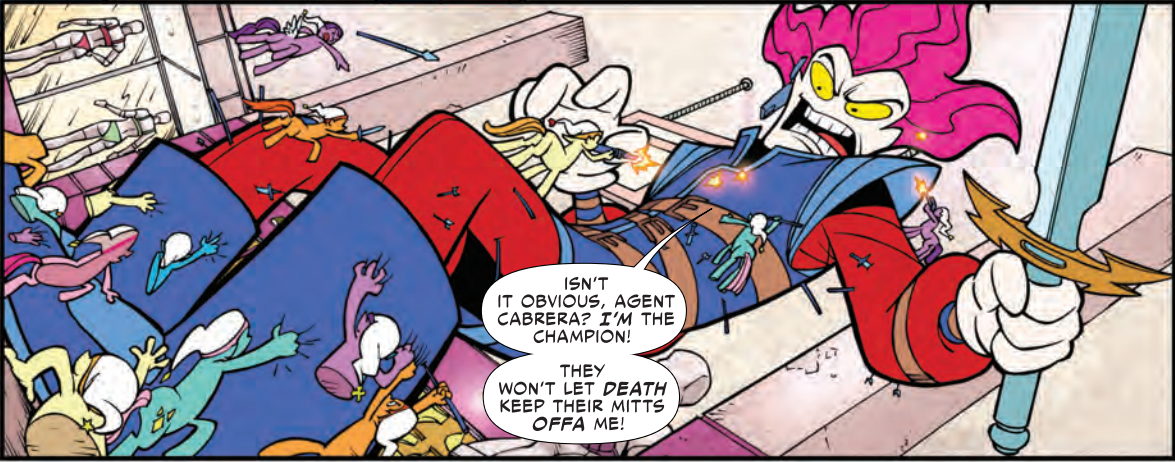
PEGATAURS MAKE YOU CRY FOR MAMA!



BY THE POWER OF GREYKIN!
I STILL HAVE THAT MUSCLE-BOUND GALOOT BRO-MAN'S SWORD!

AND HE SAID IT CUTS THROUGH ANYTHING--
--NO MATTER HOW TEENY AND IRRITATING!

CAREFUL, HARMON-- WE NEED SOME LEFT ALIVE TO BE QUESTIONED ABOUT THIS "CHAMPION"--



ISN'T IT OBVIOUS, AGENT CABRERA? I'M THE CHAMPION!
THEY WON'T LET DEATH KEEP THEIR MITTS OFFA ME!