

# SUNSET CITY SENTINEL

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## GATEWAY BRIDGE SAVED BY HEROES!

*By Patricia Weathers*

An unknown supervillain team, wearing the costumes of a monk and nun, attempted to pervert the Independence Day celebration of Sunset City into an occasion for mass murder and destruction. They somehow managed to seize control of the massive fireworks display that had been assembled on a barge floating in the middle of Sunset Bay, and directed the festive display into a deadly assault against the world-famous Gateway Bridge. Hundreds of eager spectators had gathered on the bridge to watch the patriotic extravaganza, and would have been killed in the massive explosion, if not for the quick actions of the city's assembled heroes.

Dixie Hill coordinated the actions of her team of superheroes with a LexCorp West security team, who used advanced weapons to eliminate a large portion of the threat while it was still in mid air. The child hero Fireangel used her amazing fire powers to eliminate another section of the incoming rockets. Meanwhile, a mysterious figure who has tentatively been identified with the long rumored "Specter," a shadowy scourge of the criminal classes, managed to clear the endangered civilians away from the area of impact without causing panic.

By the time the rockets struck the bridge the greater portion of them had been dealt with, and the bridge took only minor damage. Construction engineers who have examined the

impact site say that repairs will be quickly made, and emphasize that without the intervention of the heroes and LexCorp the damage would have been far greater, and might even have compromised the structural integrity of the bridge itself.

Grateful citizens who were watching the fireworks display from Fort Point, underneath the bridge, report that Dixie Hill, Nightdancer, and Wall were engaged in fierce fighting with apparent Communist agents just before the attack. It is suspected that the Communists were allied with the two supervillains, in an apparent effort to strike a blow against the celebration of American freedom and liberty, an effort which failed due to the dedication to those very virtues shown by the brave heroes who constantly risk themselves for the safety of their fellow citizens.

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## HOLLYWOOD CITY SHAKEN BY MINOR QUAKE

*By Butler Wiseman*

A small, highly localized earthquake struck just outside Hollywood City. No injuries have been reported, and damage is believed to have been very minor. Geologists report that the quake was not located near any known faultline.

## PLANETARY ALIGNMENT

*By Chase Chesterton*

Astronomers report that an unusual planetary alignment will have all five of the visible planets and the Moon grouped closely together in the constellation of Pegasus. This rare occurrence gives stargazers an excellent opportunity to spot the planets. A meteor shower is also expected to occur in the same area of space, making for a spectacular show. Astrologers are not as pleased by this phenomenon as their scientific cousins, however, warning that this unique grouping could presage a major catastrophe, or at the least a sudden and dramatic change in the course of history.

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## FREAK HURRICANE IN HOLLYWOOD CITY

*By Robin Starling*

Weather experts are mystified by the cyclonic storm that sprang up seemingly out of nowhere, and prevented air traffic into and out of Hollywood City International Airport for a period of several hours. The storm eventually abated as mysteriously as it had occurred.

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## TEMPLES PACKED IN CHINATOWN

*By Johnny Chin*

Residents of Chinatown have been worshipping at neighborhood temples and churches in unprecedented numbers. Community leaders say that this is merely an indication of the highly pious nature of the Chinese-American community.