

# ON THE BOOKSHELF

## DC Graphic Novels for Jan. 10, 2018

### **ACTION 995 "Booster Shot—Part 3"**

Booster's time machine gets Superman out of Krypton and back to Earth's future, where Michael Carter is a wanted thief. But his AI is helping Superman to see why his family dynamics shaped Booster Gold. That changes his attitude toward BG somewhat, and he realizes he must spring BG from jail to restore the timeline. But there are still new and dangerous bumps in the road, like ZOD!

### **BATGIRL & THE BIRDS OF PREY 18 "Eco-Deadly"**

Spyral needs Huntress to travel to Paris for an Energy Fair to capture a dangerous financier who might be supply high tech to arts dealers. She takes BG and BC. A friend of Babs', Dr. Yenokida, vanishes during his demonstration, as does Zin Bast. He has stolen the Weather Wizard's wand and attaches it to Yenokida's Hap-E super battery, giving him the power to generate crazy weather. The BOP captures him and turn him and the wand over to Spyral.

### **DETECTIVE 972 "Fall of the Batmen—Part 4 "**

Clayface has reverted to his old identity, a monster, but Batman still tries to reach Basil. When Clayface escapes, taking Anarky and First Victim with him. They plan to destroy the Batmen (and women), and now they see their chance. They are using Clayface to force Batman or some of his team to kill, knowing it would destroy the team forever. Red Robin is pondering it; Batwoman has a special rifle given to her by her dad that could dissolve Clayface. He's trying to change back to Basil but then hundreds of pounds of clay land on him. It's too much to control.

### **DEADMAN 3 of 6**

Boston Brand, aided by the Justice League Dark, enters his father's brain to discover what happened to the family. His father made a deal with the League of Assassins, and brother Arron joined them and vanished. His sister when looking for him and vanished. Deadman/Boston Brand knows the truth, but can he set his siblings free?

### **HAL JORDAN & THE GLC 36 "Twilight of the Guardians—Conclusion "**

Hal, Jon, Guy and Kyle attack the Controllers with everything they've got to rescue the last of the Guardians. The battle is fierce, and the rest of the GLC arrives in time to drive off the Controllers. The Guardians realize that their legacy is the GLC, and it is a proud one. The Controllers plan another attack when they can build an army.

### **HARLEY QUINN 34 "Time Off for Bad Behavior"**

On the way to Florida to see Harley's folks, the gang stops off at a hotel for food and a place to sleep. Harley and Ivy go to the bar, where Ivy tries to sing, and HQ picks a fight. They end up in jail until Mom & Dad bail them. HQ's siblings act like idiots. HQ visits her pet hyenas at the city zoo in the middle of the night and find they have mates and puppies. Ivy convinces her to leave them there. They head home, HQ has a crazy dream about clobbering her writer and inker, and they take a yacht ride.

### **HARLEY QUINN: BE CAREFULWHAT YOU WISH FOR SPECIAL**

HQ is furious at ships for dumping their refuse at sea, so she accidentally sinks one with a bazooka. When Power Girl rescues her, HQ realizes she still has an old lamp in her hand. You guessed it: a magic lamp. The genie's attempts to satisfy her many wishes is a scream. Finally, she wishes away his powers and he has to learn to be human.

### **JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA 22 "Deadly Fable—Part 1"**

Frost is approached in a mental prison by a woman who offers her release from her craving for heat, claiming it will eventually kill everyone on the planet. But it's a deadly trap that unleashes a cruel and powerful fabled queen to wrack havoc on Earth. She's allied with the evil villains of METAL.

### **RED HOOD AND THE OUTLAWS 18 "Me Am Me"**

The HIVE Queen tries to melt Red Hood's brain but Jason stymies it, with help from Bizarro. Artemis worries that he is regressing, but the truth is that Bizarro has created an artificial kryptonite Lazarus pool which regenerates him.

### **SUICIDE SQUAD "The Chosen One—Part 1"**

Juan Soria is being auditioned for the Squad, as they take on an unknown alien species. The tiny versions are not much danger (although Juan is convinced he will die in this mission) but the big ones are pretty horrible: giant winged insects.

### **SUPERGIRL 17 "Plain Sight—Part 3"**

A vicious alien named Starshame is planning to kill everyone on Earth. Supergirl takes exception to her plans. The DEO sent Starshame to get Supergirl, who escapes again. Linda Danvers/Supergirl decides to go to the school dance by herself when another superhuman shows up to call her out. What can she do?

### **SUPERWOMAN 18 "The Midnight Hour—Finale" (Final Issue)**

Lana is trying to get out of the void where she has entered to face the Protocol designed by Lena Luthor to steal her powers. Together they can manipulate Lana's real body, but the Protocol cannot exist independently. She determines to end her existence which will free Lana, even if it takes away her super-powers permanently. And that is why this is the final issue. But it ends with hope and joy.

### **THE FLASH 38 "Cold Day in Hell—Finale "**

Captain Cold is pummeling Flash since his super-cold chamber has stolen his speed. It's looking grim until Godspeed suddenly changes sides. His goal had been to see how the Rogues were planning to eliminate Copperhead. Barry brings in the head CSI to prove that Cold killed Turbine, rather than Godspeed. But his old pal tells Barry that he's been in an emotional prison since his mother died. It's time to forgive and ask for forgiveness. So, Barry asks Iris for forgiveness.

### **TITANS 19 "The Trial of Donna Troy"**

The JL demands that Titans go on hiatus until they can be sure that they are healthy enough and dependable enough to continue as a team. Dick confronts Batman: is he not a good enough leader? BM explains that it's critical that the non-metas learn how to control the metas. The JL is worried about Donna, so WW determines that she needs to be more of a presence in her life. Meanwhile, Roy Harper is in terrible danger, going lone-wolf against Intergang.

### **WONDER WOMAN 38 "Swan's Song—Part 1"**

Vanessa Kapatelis was WW's best friend, a Greek-American who was paralyzed during an attack that WW foiled. She had nano-bots injected in her spine and she began to walk again, but when her mom died in a car accident and WW never returned. Vanessa changed. She became Silver Swan, a violent and angry new foe of WW!