

# NEW HISTORY OF THE DC UNIVERSE TIMELINE PART THREE

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The events chronicled by Barry Allen were grouped by themes into a cohesive narrative.  
What follows is the definitive timeline of the DC Universe, its major events, and crucial players.



Wally West, Kid Flash I, becomes the third hero known as **the Flash** in *Crisis on Infinite Earths* (1985) #12.

**Power Girl** (Kara Zor-L) [*All-Star Comics* (1976) #58], the Supergirl of a destroyed parallel universe, goes through a long period of amnesia regarding her origins until she is much later reunited with her cousin **Kal-L**, the **Superman** of that universe, in *Infinite Crisis* (2005) #2.

**Yolanda Montez** takes up the mantle of her godfather, **Ted Grant**, as **Wildcat II** and joins **Infinity, Inc.** [*Infinity Inc.* (1984) #12, #25-26; *Crisis on Infinite Earths* (1985) #6]

**Beth Chapel**, medical prodigy and protégée of **Dr. Charles McNider**, adopts her mentor's superhero identity and becomes **Dr. Mid-Nite** in his honor as a member of **Infinity, Inc.** [*Infinity Inc.* (1984) #19-22, #25]



**Rick Tyler**, son of **Rex Tyler** (**Hourman I**), uses his father's Miraclo pills to become **Hourman II** and a member of **Infinity, Inc.** [*Infinity Inc.* (1984) #20-22, #25]



Orphan **Billy Batson** is granted the powers of the ancients by the wizard **Shazam** and becomes his champion, **the Captain**. [*Justice League* (2011) #7-11, #0, #14-16, #18-21]

A disgraced football player from the 25th century, **Michael Jon Carter**, comes to our present and takes the name **Booster Gold**. [*Booster Gold* (1987) #1, #8-9; *Secret Origins* (1986) #35]



**Roy Harper** (**Speedy I**) discovers he has fathered daughter **Lian Harper** with the assassin **Cheshire**. [*The New Teen Titans* (1984) #21]

Former Marine **Jack Wheeler** returns to the Quad Cities and becomes the gun-toting,

hockey-mask-wearing vigilante **Wild Dog** to battle domestic terror. [*Wild Dog* (1987) #1-4]

**Darkseid** fools the people of Earth into turning on the superhero community in *Legends* (1987) #1-6. This enables **Amanda Waller** to reactivate **Task Force X**, the modern-day **Suicide Squad**, comprising super-villains incarcerated at Belle Reve Prison under the watch of warden **John Economos**. [*Suicide Squad* (1987) #1]

Following a series of stealth missions, the darkness-manipulating **Nightshade** (**Eve Eden**) joins the new **Suicide Squad**. [*Suicide Squad* (1987) #1; *Secret Origins* (1986) #28]



The legendary metal-handed spy **Sarge Steel** [*Sarge Steel* (1964) #1] emerges as a presidential liaison to the metahuman community in *Legends* (1987) #3.

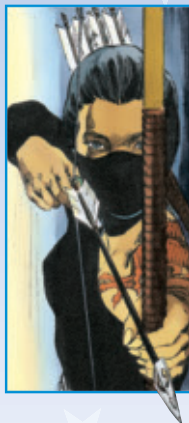
**Peacemaker** (**Christopher Smith**) becomes an increasingly unstable operative of the U.S. spy agencies. [*Vigilante* (1983) #36-38]

Reunited by businessman (and limited telepath) **Maxwell Lord**, the **Justice League** becomes the **Justice**

**League International**. Their roster includes **Batman I**, **Martian Manhunter**, **Black Canary II**, **Blue Beetle II**, **Guy Gardner**, **Booster Gold**, **Captain Atom**, **the Captain**, **Doctor Fate I**, **Dr. Light II**, **Mister Miracle II**, and **Rocket Red**. [*Justice League* (1987) #1-2; *Justice League International* (1987) #7]

U.S. military general **Wade Eiling** debuts in **Captain Atom** (1987) #1.

Formerly with the Star City PD, **Detective Maggie Ellen Sawyer** makes the **Metropolis Special Crimes Unit** a force to be reckoned with. [*Superman* (1987) #4, #15]



**Green Arrow I (Oliver Queen)** and **Black Canary II (Dinah Drake Lance)** move to Seattle and encounter the deadly assassin **Shado**. [*Green Arrow: The Longbow Hunters* (1987) #1]

The child of **Swamp Thing** and **Abigail Arcane**, **Tefé Holland**, sprouts in **Swamp Thing** (1982) #65 and is fully born in **Swamp Thing** (1982) #90.

Metropolis schoolteacher **José Delgado** becomes the vigilante known as **Gangbuster**. [*The Adventures of Superman* (1987) #434]

Exhausting their life energies, a representative **Guardian of the Universe** and his **Zamaron** mate travel to Earth to select a group of humans as the universe's new Guardians, most prominently the mystical hero **Extrãno**. [*Millennium* (1988) #1-8]

**G'nort (G'nort Esplanade Gneesmacher)**, an unwitting alien dupe in a false **Green Lantern Corps**, first appears in **Justice League International** (1987) #10.



**Clifford Zmeck**, a soldier experimented on by the U.S. government the same way **Captain Atom** had been, snaps and becomes the villain **Major Force**. [*Captain Atom* (1987) #12; *Captain Atom Annual* #1]

**Arnold Wesker**, the criminal known as the **Ventriloquist**, and his puppet, **Scarface**, begin terrorizing Gotham City. [*Detective Comics* (1937) #583-584; *Showcase* '94 #8-9]



**Superman I** encounters the spy organization **Checkmate** for the first time. [*Action Comics* (1938) #598]

**The Joker** enacts his most violent and vulgar plan yet, shooting and paralyzing **Barbara Gordon (Batgirl I)**. [*Batman: The Killing Joke* (1988)]

**Matrix**, a protoplasmic, shape-shifting life-form from another dimension, poses as the late **Supergirl**. [*Superman* (1987) #16, #19-22; *Action Comics* (1938) #677]



**Darkseid** and **Highfather** form an alliance to stop an **Anti-Life** entity, assembling **Superman I**, **Batman I**, **Starfire**, **Martian Manhunter**, **Orion**, **Doctor Fate II**, **Lightray**, **Forager**, **Etrigan the Demon**, and **Green Lantern III (John Stewart)**. [*Cosmic Odyssey* (1988) #1-4]

Ice-wielding Norwegian heroine **Tora Olafsdotter** succeeds **Sigrid Nansen** as **Ice/Icemaiden II** and joins the **JLI**. [*Justice League International* (1987) #14; *Secret Origins* (1986) #33; *Justice League America* (1989) #102]

Brazilian pyrokinetic **Fire (Beatriz "Bea" Bonilla da Costa)** joins the **JLI**. [*Justice League International* (1987) #14; *Secret Origins* (1986) #33]

**Starman IV (Prince Gavyn)** is reincarnated in the body of Earthman **Will Payton**. [*Starman* (1988) #1; *Starman* (1994) #59]



**Animal Man** comes out of retirement as a superhero, balancing that with his marriage to his wife, **Ellen**, parenting his children, **Cliff** and **Maxine**, and discovering the cosmic forces that dictate his life. [*Animal Man* (1988) #1]

**Dawn Marie Granger** becomes the second **Dove**, replacing the late **Don Hall** and partnering with his brother, **Hank (Hawk I)**. [*Hawk & Dove* (1988) #1-5]



**Jason Todd (Robin II)** is kidnapped and violently beaten and killed by the Joker. [*Batman* (1939) #427-428]. Soon afterward, Jason's body is recovered and slowly brought back to full strength by **Talia al Ghul** using a **Lazarus Pit**. [*Red Hood: The Lost Days* (2010) #1]



An alien alliance made up of the **Khunds**, **Dominators**, **Thanagarians**, **Gil'Dishpan**, **Durlans**, **Psions**, **Citadelians**, and **Warlords of Okaara** (with observers from **Daxam**) invades Earth. [*Invasion!* (1988) #1-3]

Following her paralysis at the hands of the Joker, **Barbara Gordon** becomes **Oracle I**, hacker and digital information specialist. [*Suicide Squad* (1987) #23; *The Batman Chronicles* (1995) #5]

**Vril Dox II** forms the **L.E.G.I.O.N.** (Licensed Extra-Governmental Interstellar Operatives Network). [*Invasion!* (1988) #1; *L.E.G.I.O.N.* '89 #1-11]



The second **Black Orchid** (**Flora Black**) debuts. [*Black Orchid* (1988) #1-3]

The **Doom Patrol** re-forms once more under the watch of **Dr. Niles Caulder**, with original member **Robotman II** (**Cliff Steele**), **Dorothy Spinner**, **Crazy Jane** (**Kay Challis**), and **Rebis**, an amalgam of **Negative Man** and **Dr. Eleanor Poole**. [*Doom Patrol* (1988) #19] Later, they are befriended by **Danny the Street** and **Flex Mentallo**. [*Doom Patrol* (1988) #35]

**Helena Rosa Janice Bertinelli**, heiress of the executed Bertinelli crime family, becomes the vigilante **Huntress II**. [*The Huntress* (1989) #1]

**Evan McCulloch**, a Scottish thief and assassin, becomes **Mirror Master II**. [*Animal Man* (1988) #8]



Dos Rios, Texas, city councilman **Rafael Sandoval** becomes the

motorcycle-riding vigilante **El Diablo II**. [*El Diablo* (1989) #1; *Secret Origins* (1986) #45]

French twins **Constance** and **Vivian D'Aramis** both operate with **Justice League Europe**, sharing the name **Crimson Fox**. [*Justice League Europe* (1989) #6]

**Wally West** meets **Linda Kiyo Park**, a Keystone City TV journalist. [*The Flash* (1987) #28]



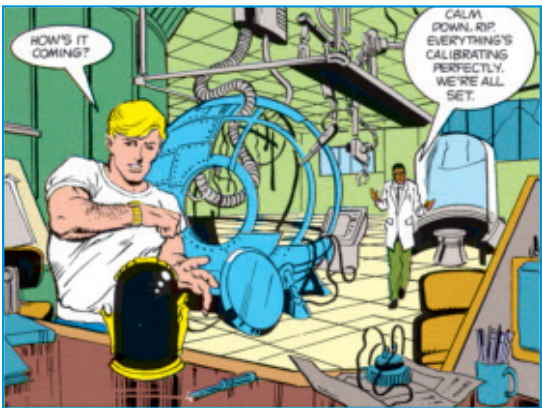
Gotham City teenager **Timothy Jackson Drake** becomes the third **Robin**. [*Batman* (1939) #440-442; *The New Titans* (1984) #60-61]

**Maxima**, the super-powered queen of the planet **Almerac**, first appears in *Action Comics* (1938) #645.

**Lonnie Machin** becomes the first Gotham City-based ideological vigilante to use the name **Anarky**. [*Detective Comics* (1937) #608-609]



**The Time Masters**, a team of time travelers led by **Rip Hunter**, debut in *Time Masters* (1990) #1.



A space shuttle mission ends tragically for **Hank Henshaw** [*The Adventures of Superman* (1987) #465-466], leading to his later rebirth as the **Cyborg Superman**. [*The Adventures of Superman* (1987) #500].

**Aleea Strange**, daughter of **Adam Strange** and **Alanna**, is born on the planet Rann. [*Adam Strange* (1990) #3]

Hector and Lyta Hall's son, **Daniel Hall**, the child who would inherit the Dreaming and the responsibilities of **Morpheus**, is born. [*The Sandman* (1989) #22]

**The Linear Men**, a group of time travelers headquartered at the **Vanishing Point**, become prominent in the present day. [*The Adventures of Superman* (1987) #476-478; *Superman* (1986) #59]

Disgruntled CIA agent **Benjamin Lockwood** becomes **Agent Liberty**. [*Superman* (1987) #60; *Agent Liberty Special* [1992] #1]



**Circe's** desire to appease the goddess **Hecate** sparks a war between the mightiest pantheons of gods in existence. **Wonder Woman II** has to lead her superhero allies in preventing the war from tearing existence asunder. [*War of the Gods* (1991) #1-4]

**Matthew Ryder**, the time traveler better known as **Waverider**, comes to our present to stop the rise of the despot known

to him only as **Monarch**—in reality, **Hank Hall (Hawk I)**. [*Armageddon 2001* (1991) #1-2]



Gotham City police detective **Renee Montoya** makes her debut. [*Batman* (1939) #475]

**Ryan Kendall** becomes the second character to hold the mantle of **Black Condor**. [*Black Condor* (1992) #1]



**Ray Terrill** becomes the **Ray II**. [*The Ray* (1992) #1; *Justice League of America: The Ray - Rebirth* (2017) #1]

**Victor Zsasz**, the infamous Gotham City serial killer, begins his reign of terror. [*Batman: Shadow of the Bat* (1992) #1; *The Batman Chronicles* (1995) #3]

The daughter of the Batman villain **Cluemaster**,

**Stephanie Brown**, becomes the Gotham City crime-fighter **Spoiler**. [*Detective Comics* (1937) #647-649]

**Jean-Paul Valley** is brought into the legacy of the **Order of St. Dumas** and succeeds his slain father in the role of **Azrael**. [*Batman: Sword of Azrael* (1992) #1]

**Rose Xia Wilson**, daughter of **Deathstroke**, begins a path that leads through both villainy and heroism. [*Deathstroke, the Terminator* (1991) #15]

Delta City native and diner cook **Stu Mosely** becomes the quick-witted vigilante known as the **Heckler**. [*The Heckler* (1992) #1]

Alien peacekeeper **Ferrin Colos** is assigned to protect Earth on behalf of the **Darkstars**, rivals of the Green Lantern Corps. [*Darkstars* (1992) #1-3]

**Jesse Quick (Jesse Chambers)**, later **Liberty Belle II**, debuts. [*Justice Society of America* (1992) #1, #8-9]

In the South American country of Santa Prisca, **Bane**—a man born in one of the world's most dangerous prisons—has a vision of destroying **Batman I**, compelling him to travel to Gotham City. [*Batman: Vengeance of Bane* (1993) #1]







**Speedy I** adopts the new identity of **Arsenal**. [*The New Titans* (1984) #99]

**Superman I** dies stopping the alien **Doomsday**. [*Superman* (1986) #75] In his absence, **Steel III**, **Superboy II (Kon-El)**, **Eradicator**, and **Cyborg Superman** attempt to claim his mantle. [*The Adventures of Superman* (1987) #500]



Following the Big Bang, new crime-fighters emerge in Dakota City, including **Static** [*Static* (1993) #1], **Icon** and **Rocket** [*Icon* (1993) #1], **Hardware** [*Hardware* (1993) #1], and the vigilantes known as the **Blood Syndicate**. [*Blood Syndicate* (1993) #1]

Superman I returns from the dead [*Superman: The Man of Steel* (1991) #25], teaming up with **Steel III**, **Superboy II**, **Green Lantern II (Hal Jordan)**, **Matrix**, and **Lex Luthor** to bring down **Cyborg Superman** and **Mongul**. [*The Adventures of Superman* (1987) #504; *Action Comics* (1938) #691; *Superman: The Man of Steel* (1991) #26; *Superman* (1987) #82]

**Bane** defeats **Batman I** in battle, breaking his back. [*Batman* (1940) #497] **Azrael** takes his place as a more violent Dark Knight [*Batman* (1940) #498] for a time before Bruce Wayne reclaims the cowl. [*Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight* (1989) #63]



A race of alien parasites comes to Earth to feed off of the spinal fluid of humans, but their feeding leads to dozens of humans becoming metahumans [*Lobo Annual* (1993) #1]—most prominently **Tommy Monaghan**,

the infamous **Hitman**. [*The Demon Annual* (1993) #2]

Hal Jordan becomes possessed by **Parallax** and slays the Guardians and the Green Lantern Corps. [*Green Lantern* (1990) #48-50]

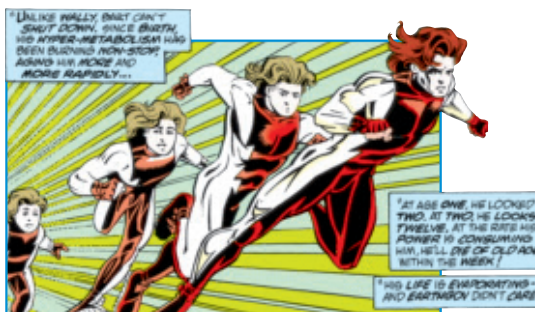


Cartoonist and unlikely hero **Kyle Rayner** [*Green Lantern* (1990) #48] is bestowed one of the last Green Lantern rings by **Ganthet** and becomes the fifth **Green Lantern** of Earth—and for a time, the only Green Lantern in the universe. [*Green Lantern* (1990) #49-50]



**Natasha Jasmine Irons**, niece of **John Henry Irons (Steel III)** and an eventual superhero in her own right (**Steel IV**), debuts. [*Steel* (1994) #1]

**Bart Allen** arrives from the future and becomes the hyperactive **Impulse I**. [*The Flash* (1987) #92-94]



**William Everett III**, grandson of the original **Amazing-Man**, debuts as **Amazing-Man II**. [*Justice League America* (1987) #86; *Justice League Task Force* (1993) #13]





**Grant Albert Emerson** takes the superhero identity **Damage**. [*Damage* (1994) #1] He is later a member of the **Titans** [*The New Titans* (1984) #0], the Freedom Fighters [*JSA* (1999) #49], and the Justice Society of America [*Justice Society of America* (2007) #1].



**Parallax (Hal Jordan)** and **Extant** attempt to rewrite the timeline. The Justice Society suffers the greatest losses in battle, including the deaths of **Atom I** and **Dr. Mid-Nite I**. **Hourman I** is also believed dead but is actually impersonated by a time-traveling successor. [*Zero Hour: Crisis in Time* (1994) #4-0; *JSA* (1999) #66]

After **Ted Knight** is re-aged during **Zero Hour**, his eldest son, **David**, takes up the identity of **Starman** [*Zero Hour: Crisis in Time* (1994) #1], only to be killed his first night out. [*Starman* (1994) #0] His younger brother, **Jack**, becomes the seventh **Starman** to avenge his brother's death and to protect Opal City. [*Starman* (1994) #1]

**King Shark (Nanaue)**, a humanoid shark from an underwater society, makes his initial appearance in *Superboy* (1994) #0.

**Green Arrow I** dies stopping a deadly terrorist attack. His long-lost son, **Connor Hawke** [*Green Arrow* (1988) #0], becomes the second **Green Arrow**, continuing his father's legacy. [*Green Arrow* (1988) #101]



**Queen Hippolyta**, disappointed in her daughter **Diana's** progress as a global agent of peace, commands **Wonder Woman II** to return to Themyscira to prove herself once more. [*Wonder Woman* (1988) #90] Diana temporarily loses the costume and identity to **Artemis**, an Amazon from the **Bana-Mighdall**

tribe whom Hippolyta had recently invited back to the island. [*Wonder Woman* (1988) #93]

**Mongul II**, the son of the original **Mongul**, and **Mongal**, **Mongul I's** daughter, begin their long campaigns of interstellar havoc. [*Showcase '95* (1995) #8]



**Neron**, Lord of the Underworld, makes bargains with numerous super-villains that increase their powers. Simultaneously, he turns **Blue Devil (Daniel Cassidy)** into an actual demon. [*Underworld Unleashed* (1995) #1-3]

**Savitar**, self-proclaimed god of speed, tries to steal the powers of the **Flash Family** in a battle that claims the life of **Johnny Quick I**. [*The Flash* (1987) #108; *Impulse* (1995) #11]

**Black Canary II** and **Oracle I** begin operating covertly as the **Birds of Prey**. [*Black Canary/Oracle: Birds of Prey* (1995) #1] They are later joined by **Huntress II**. [*Birds of Prey* (1998) #57]

Daughter of **Lennox** (a son of Zeus) and Gateway City Museum of Antiquity's **Professor Helena Sandsmark**, teenager **Cassie Sandsmark** [*Wonder Woman* (1988) #105] becomes the second **Wonder Girl**. [*Wonder Woman* (1998) #111]







**Grayven**, the third son of **Darkseid**, younger brother of **Orion** and **Kalibak**, debuts. [*Green Lantern* (1990) #71, #74-75]

After leaving the **Titans**, **Nightwing** relocates to the dangerous city of **Blüdhaven** as a solo hero in *Nightwing* (1996) #1.

**Aztek the Ultimate Man**, a man known as **Uno** who was raised by the secret group known as the **Q Society** to defeat the evil god **Mageddon**, debuts in the city of **Vanity**. [*Aztek: The Ultimate Man* (1996) #1] He later dies fighting Mageddon alongside the JLA in *JLA* (1997) #41.



An alien known as the **Sun-Eater** extinguishes Earth's sun. In a dying act of heroism, Hal Jordan uses his remaining **Parallax** powers to reignite the star. [*The Final Night* (1996) #0-4]

**Clark Kent (Superman I)** marries **Lois Lane**. [*Superman: The Wedding Album* (1996) #1]



**Garth (Aqualad I)**, embracing his mystical heritage, becomes the undersea mage known as **Tempest**. [*Tempest* (1996) #1-4]

The **Justice League of America** reunites to defeat the **Hyperclan**, a superhero team from space who are revealed to be **White Martians**. [*JLA* (1997) #1-4]

A flawed, evil clone of **Superboy II (Kon-El)** known as **Match** appears. [*Superboy* (1994) #35-36]

**Superman** develops volatile electromagnetic powers [*The Adventures of Superman* (1987) #545; *Superman* (1986) #123], then splits into two beings: **Superman-Red** and **Superman-Blue**. Inadvertently, their powers give rise to the **Millennium Giants**, who must be defeated before **Superman** can return to normal. [*Superman: The Man of Steel* (1991) #79; *Superman* (1987) #135; *Superman Forever* (1998) #1]

**Tomorrow Woman**, a super-powered android created by **T.O. Morrow** and **Professor Ivo** to infiltrate and destroy the JLA, turns against her creators and perishes. [*JLA* (1997) #5]

The angel **Zauriel** helps the JLA defeat the rogue **Asmodel**, then leaves Heaven to join the team. [*JLA* (1997) #6-7]



**Michael Holt**, the world's third-smartest man, a great inventor, and an Olympic athlete, becomes **Mr. Terrific II** after losing his wife, Paula, and unborn son, Jeffrey. [*The Spectre* (1992) #54; *Mr. Terrific: Year One* (2025) #1-2]

**Cissie King-Jones**, an elite teenage archer and daughter of **Bonnie King-Jones**, once known as **Miss Arrowette** [*World's*

*Finest Comics* (1941) #113], is encouraged by her mother to become **Arrowette**. [*Impulse* (1997) #28]



**Matthew Tyler (Hourman III)**, a time-manipulating android from the 853rd century based on the DNA of **Hourman I**, appears. [*JLA* (1997) #12]

**Cameron Chase**, noted agent of the **Department of Extranormal Operations (DEO)**, makes her debut in *Batman* (1939) #550.

**Prometheus**, a villain whose armor makes him a formidable foe to the JLA, debuts. [*New Year's Evil: Prometheus* #1 (1998); *JLA* (1997) #16-17]



Keystone City teenager **Jakeem Johnny Williams**, a.k.a. **Jakeem Thunder**, becomes the newest partner to the mystical **Thunderbolt genie**. [*The Flash* (1987) #134; *JLA* (1997) #28-31]

The story of "**No Man's Land**" and Gotham City's forced isolation from the United States is concentrated in the following issues: *Batman: No Man's Land* (1999) #1, #0; *Batman* (1940) #563-574; *Batman: Shadow of the Bat* (1992) #83-94; *Detective Comics* (1937) #730-741; *Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight* (1989) #116-117, #119-126; and *The Batman Chronicles* (1995) #16-18.



The Joker murders **Commissioner Gordon's** wife, **Sarah Essen**. [*Detective Comics* (1937) #741]

The **Black Flash**, the grim reaper for speedsters, first encounters the Flash. [*The Flash* (1987) #138-141]

**Greta Hayes**, a young woman killed by her adoptive brother, survives as the ghostly member of Young Justice known as **the Secret**. [*Young Justice: The Secret* (1998) #1; *Young Justice* (1998) #42]

After defeating a villain named **Bedlam** who had removed all the adults from Earth [*JLA: World Without Grown-Ups* (1998) #1-2], **Robin III**, **Impulse I**, **Superboy II**, **Wonder Girl II**, **Arrowette II**, and **Secret** [*Young Justice* (1998) #1-4] form the teenage superhero team known as **Young Justice**. They are supervised by Justice League veteran **Red Tornado II**. [*Young Justice* (1998) #1]



The heroes discover **Hypertime**, a realm from which all realities past and present can be accessed. [*The Kingdom* (1999) #2]

After **Victor Stone (Cyborg)** temporarily goes rogue and forces a conflict between the JLA and every living Titan [*JLA/Titans* (1998) #1-3], the original five Titans—**Nightwing**, **Donna Troy**, **Arsenal**, **the Flash III**, and **Tempest**—reestablish the team with additional members **Cyborg**, **Argent**, **Damage I**, **Jesse Quick**, and **Starfire**. [*Titans Secret Files* (1999) #1]



**Justice Legion Alpha**, the Justice League of the 853rd century, comes to our present to help the JLA stop **Vandal Savage** and a future antagonist of Superman's known as **Solaris**. [*JLA* (1997) #23; *JLA* (1998) #1,000,000; *DC One Million* (1998) #1-4]



**Lagoon Boy (La'gaan)**, a monstrous-looking Atlantean outsider, begins serving as **Aquaman II's** partner. [*Aquaman* (1994) #50]

**Courtney Whitmore**, stepdaughter of **Pat Dugan (Stripesy)**, uses the late **Skyman's** cosmic converter belt to become the second **Star-Spangled Kid**. [*DCU Heroes Secret Files*]



(1998) #1; *Stars and S.T.R.I.P.E.* (1999) #0-1] Dugan assists her using the armor code-named **S.T.R.I.P.E.** Eventually, Whitmore inherits **Starman VII's** cosmic staff and the Starman legacy [*Starman* (1994) #80], calling herself **Stargirl**. [*JSA All-Stars* (2003) #3]

**Dr. Pieter Anton Cross**, a man of Norwegian origin who was delivered by the original **Dr. Mid-Nite** as a baby, becomes the third Dr. Mid-Nite, hero of Portsmouth City. [*Doctor Mid-Nite* (1999) #1-3]

The granddaughter of **Speed Saunders**, **Kendra Saunders**—a reincarnation of **Shiera Hall** who initially has no access to her past memories—becomes **Hawkgirl II**. [*JSA Secret Files and Origins* (1999) #1]

After the murder of the first **Sandman**, **Wesley Dodds**, the Justice Society of America reunites as the **JSA**—a combination of veteran members **Sentinel** (Alan Scott, the first **Green Lantern**), **Jay Garrick** (Flash I), and **Ted Grant** (Wildcat I); their original peers' descendants **Black Canary II**, **Starman VII**, **Hourman III**, **Atom Smasher**, **Hawkgirl II**, and **Doctor Fate III** (Hector Hall, formerly **Silver Scarab**); and Sandman's former teenage sidekick, **Sand** (Sanderson "Sandy" Hawkins). [*JSA Secret Files and Origins* [1999] #1; *JSA* (1999) #1-4]



**Cassandra Cain**, the daughter of assassins **Lady Shiva** and **David Cain**, is trained by Batman I and Oracle I to become **Batgirl II**. [*Batman* (1940) #567; *Detective Comics* [1937] #734; *Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight* [1989] #120]



**Inertia**, a.k.a. **Thaddeus Thawne**, an evil speedster clone created based on Impulse I's DNA, becomes one of his and the Flash Family's archenemies. [*Impulse* (1995) #50-53]

**Dr. Harleen Frances Quinzel**, a psychiatrist who works at Arkham Asylum, becomes the Joker's partner in crime and romance, **Harley Quinn**. [*Batman: Harley Quinn* (1999) #1]

After the death of Jim Corrigan, the **Spectre** finds a new host in Hal Jordan. [*Day of Judgment* (1999) #1-5]



**Empress** (Anita Fite), a prominent member of **Young Justice**, debuts. [*Young Justice* (1998) #16, #19]

**Crispus Allen**, GCPD detective and partner to Renee Montoya, arrives in Gotham. [*Detective Comics* (1937) #742]

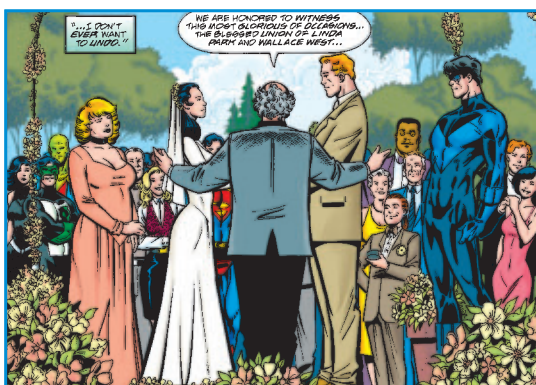
The story of **Ra's al Ghul's** use of Batman's anti-JLA protocols is told in *JLA* (1997) #43-46.

**Lex Luthor** shocks the world by becoming president of the United States. [*Superman: Lex 2000* (2000) #1]



**Orca** (Grace Balin), a whale-human hybrid, becomes a nemesis to the Bat-Family. [*Batman* (1940) #579-581]

**Wally West** (Flash III) marries **Linda Park**. [*The Flash* (1987) #159]



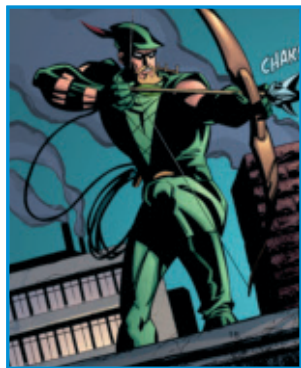
**Manchester Black**, British antihero and leader of the proactive and deadly “superhero” team **the Elite**, challenges Superman for the first time. [*Action Comics* (1939) #775]



Following a long period in a supernatural dimension, **Carter Hall (Hawkman)** is reborn on the planet **Thanagar** and rejoins the Justice Society. [*JSA* (1999) #23-25]



Brought back from the dead by Hal Jordan as one of his last acts as **Parallax**, **Oliver Queen** resumes his **Green Arrow** career alongside his son, Connor. [*Green Arrow* (2001) #1-10]



Oliver Queen takes in teenage runaway **Mia Dearden** [*Green Arrow* (2001) #2], who—over Queen’s objections—eventually becomes **Speedy II**. [*Green Arrow* (2001) #45]



The JSA learns of **Victoria Sinclair**, a high-stakes bookmaker who runs metahuman fights and other illicit gambling activities under the code name **Roulette**. [*JSA Secret Files and Origins* (1999) #2]

After an accident involving the Cosmic Treadmill, Keystone City criminal profiler **Hunter Solomon**

[*The Flash Secret Files & Origins* (1999) #3] is turned into the time-manipulating speedster **Zoom**, one of the Flash III’s greatest enemies. [*The Flash* (1987) #196-200]



**Slobber**, a.k.a. **Li'l Lobo**, a teenage clone of the Main Man, becomes a reluctant member of **Young Justice**. [*Young Justice* (1998) #38]

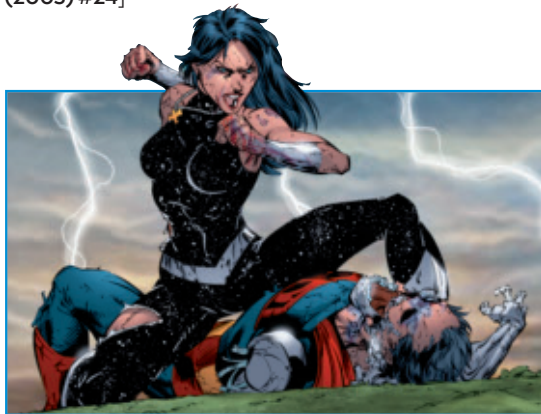
**Trickster II** (juvenile delinquent **Axel Walker**) battles the Flash III for the

first time. [*The Flash* (1987) #183]

Batman I’s initial battle with **Hush** is told in *Batman* (1940) #609-619.



A robot known as **Indigo**, later revealed as **Brainiac 8**, reactivates a dangerous **Superman robot** that fights the **Titans** and **Young Justice**. [*Titans/Young Justice: Graduation Day* (2003) #1] **Omen** (**Lilith Clay**) and **Donna Troy** die during the conflict, a tragedy that leads both teams to disband. [*Titans/Young Justice: Graduation Day* (2003) #1-3; *Teen Titans* (2003) #24]



**Arsenal (Roy Harper)**’s band of **Outsiders** debuts in *Outsiders* (2003) #1.



**Anissa Pierce**, a.k.a. **Thunder**, density-shifting daughter of Black Lightning, joins the Outsiders. [*Outsiders* (2003) #1]

**Grace Choi**, a super-strong powerhouse and Thunder's romantic partner, joins the Outsiders. [*Outsiders* (2003) #1] She later discovers she is a half-Amazon of the Bana-Mighdall tribe. [*Amazons Attack* (2007) #5]



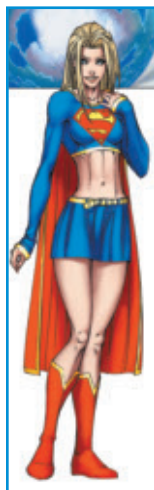
The Teen Titans regroup in *Teen Titans* (2003) #1.



**Superboy II** learns that his cloned body was created using Lex Luthor's DNA as well as Superman I's. [*Teen Titans* (2003) #1]

**Impulse I** becomes **Kid Flash II**. [*Teen Titans* (2003) #4]

The Superman-Batman team exposes President Luthor's crimes, leading to his swift impeachment and removal from office. [*Superman/Batman* (2003) #1-6]



The original **Supergirl** returns to life. [*Superman/Batman* (2003) #8]

Lorena Marquez, the protector of Sub Diego and sidekick to **Aquaman II** (**Arthur Curry**), becomes **Aquagirl II**. [*Aquaman* (2003) #16-20]



Tim Drake's father, **Jack**, discovers his son is Robin III and forces him to temporarily retire. [*Robin* (1993) #125]



Batman I awards **Spoiler** the Robin identity [*Robin* (1993) #126] only to discover her general unreadiness and dismiss her from duty. [*Robin* (1993) #128]

**Atom II's** ex-wife, **Jean Loring**, murders **Sue Dibny**. [*Identity Crisis* (2004) #1] And causes the murders of **Captain Boomerang I** and **Robin III's** father **Jack Drake**. [*Identity Crisis* (2004) #5]



**Jason Rusch** becomes the second **Firestorm** [*Firestorm* (2004) #1] after Ronnie Raymond is killed by **Shadow Thief**. [*Identity Crisis* (2004) #5]

**Captain Boomerang II** (**Owen Mercer**), son of the original Captain Boomerang and speedster Meloni Thawne, debuts. [*Identity Crisis* (2004) #3-7; *The Flash* [1987] #224-225]

**Manhunter VI** (**Kate Spencer**), an L.A.-based attorney unaffiliated with the Manhunter cult, hits the streets in *Manhunter* (2004) #1.

The Spectre, Parallax, and Hal Jordan separate for good. The Spectre guides Jordan's soul back to his body, where he is reborn as Green Lantern II once again [*Green Lantern: Rebirth* (2004) #4], leading his fellow Lanterns in final battle with Parallax in order to rebuild the **Green Lantern Corps**. [*Green Lantern: Rebirth* (2004) #6]



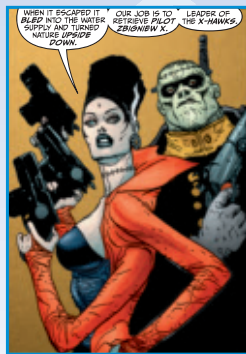
**Blue Beetle II** (**Ted Kord**) begins investigating several conspiracies quickly coming into focus: Checkmate having access to every major superhero's identity, Earth's super-villains beginning to assemble under a new **Secret Society**, a severe disruption in magic, and an erupting interplanetary war between **Rann** and **Thanagar**. Kord's path leads to Checkmate Mountain, where he is assassinated by his former

friend **Maxwell Lord**. Lord had taken control of the spy organization and begins deploying robots called O.M.A.C.s to kill superheroes. [*Countdown to Infinite Crisis* (2005) #1]

**Black Alice (Lori Zechlin)**, a teenage member of the Birds of Prey who can take on the abilities and powers of other magic users, debuts in *Birds of Prey* (2005) #76.

The resurrected **Jason Todd**, adopting one of the Joker's early guises, returns to Gotham as the **Red Hood**. [*Batman* (1940) #635]

**S.H.A.D.E.**, the **Super-Human Advanced Defense Executive**, an organization that employs (among others) **Frankenstein** and the **Freedom Fighters**, is first mentioned in *Seven Soldiers: Frankenstein* (2006) #3.



**The Bride (Lady Frankenstein)**, monster hunter and spy, debuts in *Seven Soldiers: Frankenstein* (2006) #3.

The **Seven Soldiers of Victory III**—**Bulleteer**, **Frankenstein**, **Klarion**, the **Manhattan Guardian**, **Mister Miracle III** (**Shilo Norman**), **Shining Knight** (**Sir Ystin**), and **Zatanna**—repel the alien threat of the **Sheeda** without actually meeting one

another face-to-face. [*Seven Soldiers of Victory* (2005) #1]

**Holly Granger**, the estranged and aggressive sister of Dawn Granger, becomes **Hawk II** to Dawn's **Dove II**. [*Teen Titans* (2003) #22]

**Donna Troy** is resurrected by the **Titans of Myth**. [*DC Special: The Return of Donna Troy* (2005) #1-4]

The **Shadowpact**, a group of occult superheroes including **Blue Devil**, **Detective Chimp**, **Enchantress**, **Nightshade**, **Ragman**, and **Zauriel**, assemble as a team. [*Day of Vengeance* (2005) #1-6]

**Peter Merkel Jr.** becomes the third **Ragdoll**, following his father and a criminal named **Colby Zag**. [*Villains United* (2005) #1-6]

**Scandal Savage**, a skilled mercenary and fighter and daughter of the immortal villain **Vandal Savage**, debuts. [*Villains United* (2005) #1-6]

The **Secret Six III**, a group of villains assembled by the mysterious Mockingbird to work against the re-formed Secret Society of Super-Villains, brings together **Catman**, **Deadshot**, **Scandal Savage**, **Ragdoll III**, **Cheshire**, and a parademon. [*Villains United* (2005) #1-6]



**Jai West** and **Iris West II**, twin children of Wally West and Linda Park, are born. [*The Flash* (1987) #225]

Reluctantly, **Wonder Woman II** is forced to kill **Maxwell Lord** on live television to protect the world. [*Wonder Woman* (1988) #219]

The heroes learn there are survivors of the first **Great Crisis**—**Superman** and **Lois Lane** of the original Earth-2, **Alexander Luthor Jr.**, and **Superboy of Earth-Prime**—and that Luthor and Superboy-Prime had been behind the conspiracies identified by Ted Kord. [*Infinite Crisis* (2005) #1] Earth's defenders thwart their scheme to revive a flawed Multiverse, but there are casualties: **Superboy II** dies at the hands of Superboy-Prime [*Infinite Crisis* (2005) #6], **Blüdhaven** is destroyed [*Infinite Crisis* (2005) #4], the **Flash III** (**Wally West**) and his family disappear into the Speed Force [*Infinite Crisis* (2005) #4], and **Kid Flash II** ages to adulthood, becoming **Flash IV**. [*Infinite Crisis* (2005) #5, #7]

Gotham City police detective **Crispus Allen** becomes the newest human host for the **Spectre**. [*Infinite Crisis* (2005) #4]



**Jaime Reyes** debuts as **Blue Beetle III**. [*Infinite Crisis* (2005) #3, #5]

In the year following the Infinite Crisis, Superman I, Batman I, and Wonder Woman II each withdraw from the world to gain a new perspective on heroism. During those months, Elongated Man dies and is reunited with his wife, Sue, in the afterlife [*52* (2006) #42, #52]; Renee Montoya is passed the identity of the Question by the dying Vic Sage [*52* (2006) #1, #38,

#48]; **Steel III** and **IV** fight Lex Luthor and his **Everyman** program [*52* (2006) #8, #14, #21, #39-40]; **Adam Strange**, **Animal Man**, and **Starfire** travel through space following the aftermath of the Rann/Thanagar war [*52* (2006) #9, #17, #20, #43]; Black Adam creates a new family to rule the nation of **Kahndaq** peacefully, until that peace is torn asunder by World War III [*52* (2006) #12, #16, #23, #44-45, #50; *52: World War III*]; and Booster Gold discovers that a limited Multiverse has returned in the form of 52 parallel universes [*52* (2006) #1-2, #7, #10, #15, #19, #37, #52].

During Clark Kent's yearlong sabbatical, in which he is without his powers, he and Lois Lane have a child, **Jonathan Samuel "Jon" Kent**. [*Convergence: Superman* (2015) #2]





**The Great Ten**, heroes representing the Chinese government, debut in *52* (2006) #6.

**Batwoman II**, Katherine Rebecca “Kate” Kane, debuts in Gotham. [*52* (2006) #7, #9]

**Checkmate** is reorganized as a U.N.-supervised group overseeing metahuman activities. [*52* (2006) #24]

**Superman I** [*Superman* (1939) #652], **Batman I** [*Detective Comics* (1937) #817], and **Wonder Woman II** [*Wonder Woman* (2006) #4] return to action.

**Livewire** (Leslie Willis), an electric-powered villain, makes her first of many attacks on Metropolis. [*Action Comics* (1938) #835]

**Zachary Zatara**, magic user and cousin of Zatanna Zatara, debuts in *Teen Titans* (2003) #34.

The **Sinestro Corps** of yellow-ring-wielding fearmongers is introduced. [*Green Lantern* (2005) #10]

**Miss Martian** (M’gann M’orzz), a White Martian who claims to be the niece of Martian Manhunter, joins the Teen Titans. [*Teen Titans* (2003) #37]

**Ryan Choi** becomes the **Atom III**. [*DCU: Brave New World* (2006) #1]



**Damian Wayne**, the artificially aged son of Batman I and Talia al Ghul, meets the Dark Knight for the first time. [*Batman* (1940) #655-658] In short order, he officially becomes **Robin V**. [*Batman: Battle for the Cowl* (2009) #3]

**General Dru-Zod**, **Non**, and **Ursa**—three members of the

Kryptonian military who were banished to the Phantom Zone for crimes against Krypton—escape and meet Superman for the first time. [*Action Comics* (1938) #844-846, #851; *Action Comics Annual* #11]



The newest iteration of the Justice League assembles **Superman I**, **Batman I**, **Wonder Woman II**, **Green Lantern II**, **Black Canary II**, **Vixen**, **Black Lightning**, **Red Tornado II**, **Geo-Force**, **Hawkgirl II** (Kendra Saunders), and **Arsenal**, who adopts the new name **Red Arrow**. [*Justice League of America* (2006) #0-7]



The **Justice Society of America** reunites, with its largest lineup ever. [*Justice Society of America* (2007) #1-4] Among the new members are **Tomcat/Wildcat III** (Tommy Bronson), the son of **Wildcat I**; **Maxine Hunkel**, a.k.a. **Cyclone**, granddaughter of **Red Tornado I**; and **Citizen Steel** (Nathaniel Heywood), grandson of the original **Steel**.



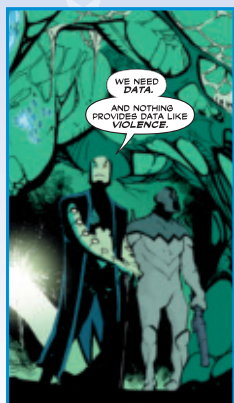
With the blessing of her father, **Black Lightning**, **Jennifer Pierce** joins the JSA as **Lightning**, as does Will Everett's grandson, **Markus Clay**, a.k.a. **Amazing-Man III**. [*Justice Society of America* (2007) #12]

The **Black Glove**, a sinister syndicate led by **Dr. Simon Hurt**, nearly destroys Batman's mind and spirit. In retaliation, Batman's psyche is temporarily possessed by his "backup identity," the terrifying **Zur-En-Arrh**. [*Batman* (1940) #676-681]

The mysterious villain known as **Libra** gathers Earth's super-villains and helps them enforce Darkseid's cosmic Anti-Life fascism alongside his Justifiers, an operation that comes to be known as the **Final Crisis**. Though victory is eventually achieved with the return to life of **the Flash II**, defeating Darkseid comes at a price: His omega beams seemingly kill Batman I—actually displacing him throughout several periods in time. [*Final Crisis* (2008) #0-7]

**Super Young Team** debuts in *Final Crisis* (2008) #2.

**Mandrakk the Dark Monitor** debuts in *Final Crisis: Superman Beyond* (2008) #1.



**The Reach**, the alien creators of Blue Beetle's scarab and mortal enemies of the Green Lantern Corps, debut in *Blue Beetle* (2006) #12.

**Flash IV (Bart Allen)** is killed by **Inertia** and the **Rogues**. [*The Flash: The Fastest Man Alive* (2006) #13]

The JLA and JSA team up and, with the help of stranded members of a future team called the Legion of Super-Heroes, help

**Flash III** and his family return from the Speed Force. [*Justice League of America* (2006) #8-10]

The **Star Sapphire Corps**, wielders of the violet/love portion of the emotional spectrum, make themselves known. [*Green Lantern* (2005) #20]

The **Sinestro Corps** wages war upon the Green Lantern Corps. [*Green Lantern: Sinestro Corps War Special* (2007) #1; *Green Lantern* (2005) #21-26; *Green Lantern Corps* (2006) #14-18]

In the aftermath of the Sinestro Corps War, additional new Lantern Corps and members are revealed: the **Alpha Lanterns**, the **Red Lanterns** of rage, the **Blue Lanterns** of hope, the **Orange Lanterns** of avarice, the **Indigo Tribe** of compassion, and the **Black Lanterns** of death. [*Green Lantern* (2005) #25-28]



**Kid Flash II** and **Superboy II** return to life. [*Final Crisis: Legion of Three Worlds* (2008) #3-4]

