HORSEBOYS AND ALIENS

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History tells of two warring families; two superheroes in love; and one magical shapeshifting horse.

Our story begins in National City on Planet Earth.

The superheroes in question: Querl Dox/Brainiac 5 and Kara Zor-El/Supergirl – two refugees whose home planets had been destroyed long ago.

The two loved each other deeply, but the tragedy of their love lay in the hatred between their families.

The battles between the Doxes and the Els were legendary: The patriarch of the Dox family, Vril, had often been caught trying to bottle beautiful cities from his skull ship in the sky; while the patriarch of the El family, Jor, would always stop him.

One day, Jor and Vril's penchant for battle ended in death, and the two enemies were found laying alongside one another.

Accusations began flying concerning who killed whom first, and a great debate was waged inside the Hall of Justice as to which family was to pay recompenses to the other.

The feud between the families continued in the forms of Kal-El and Bria Dox.

Alas, a bitter feud could not sway Kara of the House of El nor Querl of the Coluan Brainiacs from finding solace in one another.

Eventually, their dalliances were discovered by their respective families.

El and Dox forbade their kin from seeing one another, causing both Kara and Querl great suffering.

Having heard tell of the tragic tale, a reporter for CatCo WorldWide - William Dey - felt pity for the forlorn lovers and decided to take matters into his own hands.

He would find out the truth, and advocate that the youngsters not pay for the sins of their kin.

To do so, he would take on his alternate form: Comet the Superhorse. And as such, William would find himself in the presence of gossip, and the exposing of conspiracies.

One day, *Comet* found himself in the Luthor Stables.

He overheard the Luthor matriarch, Lillian, crowing to her son, Lex, about their successful revenge on the El and Dox families – families that had caused them no end of trouble in the past - and proudly claimed responsibility for the murders of both Jor and Vril.

The Luthors also gloated about Kara and Querl's suffering and how - if allowed to be together - the couple would have been powerful enough to stop Lillian and Lex's evil-doings.

With this new knowledge, William reverted to his human form to write the story of a lifetime.

Once the truth had been exposed, both families were freed of blame for the murder of the other's kin, and the Luthors found themselves locked in Iron Heights Prison.

Kara and Querl's union was blessed by both Doxes and Els in an attempt to start anew and - upon Comet's strong equine back - the two lovebirds rode off into the sunset.

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