

**INTRO**

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G: Hey everyone and welcome to the 10th Wonder Podcast. I'm Graham.

Derek: And I'm Derek.

G: And this is our Chapter 55. We took a short break. Derek was on vacation in Florida.

D: I was. I went down there to have a little break for myself from work and had a good time, but I'm back now.

G: And I was getting settled in Los Angeles. We had a great trip up here. I had a lot of fun. A very, very long drive—I wouldn't wish that on anybody, but actually Derek and I are recording while we're 2000 miles apart, and some of you may think, "How are they doing that?" But that's our little podcaster secret even though it's not that hard to figure out.

D: Not at all.

G: So I'll be here until August. I'll be close to all the action as far as *Heroes* is concerned. All the other stuff, I've got a great little exclusive to mention to you guys a little bit later in the podcast that I got to do on Monday, so it'll be a lot of fun. Also, apologies in advance if some noise comes through on my end since I'm very close to a busy street, so if you here some horns honking or sirens, that's just part of living in Los Angeles I guess. I couldn't find a quieter place for our podcast studio while I'm here, so hopefully it'll be relatively quiet while we do the show this week, but we've got another news and e-mail podcast this week which is packed full of news from the past few weeks, but first our announcements. The first announcement this week is a big one. This is something you guys have been waiting for for a long time, I know. Available now are our brand new 10<sup>th</sup> Wonder t-shirts ([10<sup>th</sup> Wonder T-Shirts!](#)).

D: Yeah, these have been a long time in the making. We know you guys have been asking for them for a good long while, I guess since the show really got underway back—god, it's almost been two years now, but the shirts are really cool they're royal blue t-shirts. We have them in Men's and Women's. It's got our really, really cool 10<sup>th</sup> Wonder logo on the front, and it's got kind of a distressed look like if you washed it a whole lot. It's got that broken image, and I think it looks really cool.

G: I do too. I'm glad we finally have shirts available, and if these do really well, we're going to have a lot more designs in the future especially when *Heroes*

starts back, so head over to [tshirts.heroespodcast.com](http://tshirts.heroespodcast.com), and you will find the store front that our partners Sam and Nate have set up, and these shirts are available on a huge scale because we've partnered up with Sam and Nate, we can sell as many as possible and as many sizes. It's really great the way we've set this up, and they also have international shipping for those of you who are listening to us overseas, so that's good news there.

D: And I didn't even know about that until last night, and I was very excited to know that because I know we have a lot of listeners from across the pond, so I'm happy to hear about that. Really cheap price: Men's from small to extra large are like \$15, same with women. They're \$20. They're just a little bit more expensive because they're more expensive to make. I think you get higher prices as the sizes go up, but a great deal. Shipping's cheap, so you can't beat that at all.

G: Right, we're glad it all worked out this way, so head over to [tshirts.heroespodcast.com](http://tshirts.heroespodcast.com) and check out those brand new shirts. Our next announcement is we finally have our details about our panel at Comic-Con ([10<sup>th</sup> Wonder Panel @ Comic-Con](#)). We had a scare a few weeks ago, and I guess we'll explain that to you guys. We got a call from Comic-Con saying that a larger panel had seniority and needed our room and our time, so we almost thought that we were not going to have a panel there for a little while. It got kind of scary, so things finally worked out in the end, and our panel was moved to a different room, so the official 10<sup>th</sup> Wonder and SHoE podcast panel date, time, and location is Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup> from 1pm-2pm in room 24A. Now I'm sure that will be available in writing in the official Comic-Con schedule, and we'll also put this up on our website, but it's great to finally have it written in stone.

D: We're hoping that this isn't going to conflict with anything on a bigger scale like for instance a *Heroes* panel. I know last year the *Heroes* panel was I think later like around 3 or 4 in the afternoon. I know the *Smallville* panel and some other stuff was that night. I've talked to some friends of mine that go every year that have gone for like the past four, five years, and they say that's a really good time for our panel to be, so that makes me a whole lot more hopeful for everything.

G: Right, and I think that we're okay because I think actually the *Heroes* panel was one of the first panels that Saturday last year because they were talking about how long the line was and people had been waiting there all morning. I just feel like the *Heroes* panel was more in the morning, and our panel is kind of in the afternoon, so hopefully that won't conflict, and if it does that's going to spell out a problem because of course you guys want us to go to the *Heroes* panel as the *Heroes* podcast and cover that, so if things do conflict, either Derek or I won't be at our panel, and that would be awful, so if something like that happens, we are planning a contingency, and that's to have an off-site meeting somewhere. We're talking with some people who are familiar with the area and there's some great places in and around the convention center that we can hold kind of an

unofficial meet-up of all the folks that are going to be there at Comic-Con but not so much an official thing that would be on the Comic-Con schedule.

D: Basically, we're just all going to go to a karaoke bar, have a good time, throw back a beer. I'm kidding actually. We're not doing that, but we need to find someplace where we can meet up. If you go to Comic-Con a lot, you know, let us know about a place where you think it would be applicable for a large group of people to meet. Twitter is going to be the way to keep up with us ([Twitter.com/HeroesPodcast](https://twitter.com/HeroesPodcast)).

G: The best way.

D: Yeah, and you don't even have to have a Twitter account to follow us. You can just go to mine and Graham's individual Twitter websites, as well as the House of El Twitter and 10<sup>th</sup> Wonder Twitter. You can try and keep up with where we're going to be. Graham and I are going to posting our locations pretty frequently.

G: The great thing about Twitter is you can link it to your cell phone, so if we post an update on the 10<sup>th</sup> Wonder Twitter, it can send a text message to your phone while you're there, so you'll know where we are within minutes of us posting to our Twitter. That's a really great way to keep up with us and to find out where we're going to be after our panel and before our panel. That should be fun.

D: Here's the bad news (<http://www.comic-con.org>). If you haven't already gotten your tickets, I believe all the four-day passes are sold out, and I think the only day that isn't sold out as of yet is Sunday. I know Saturday's already sold out.

G: Well, we knew that was going to happen because I remember it selling out a lot earlier last year.

D: Exactly

G: and I was kind of amazed when I checked it the other day and there were still some tickets available, so Comic-Con is a very popular event, and of course tickets are going to sell out. I don't think they do walk-ups either. I don't think you can just walk up and get in either.

D: No, I don't believe you can, and that's kind of sad that a few people might miss out because I mean we're just a month and a few days ahead now. I know I'm heading out to LA with you on July 19<sup>th</sup>, and then going down to San Diego. Don't forget though that Comic-Con is July 24<sup>th</sup> *through* 27<sup>th</sup> in San Diego if you've already got your tickets. If for some reason you're just dying to meet up with us—I don't know why—and you can't get into Comic-con anymore because the tickets are sold out. Hopefully, we'll meet in some kind of off-site place.

G: Right. That's part of the reason why we're trying to get that together. Also, some great news is coming down the pike about what *Heroes* is going to be doing at Comic-Con. We had a rumor going around that *Heroes* might be showing the Season Three premiere at Comic-Con this year which would be absolutely amazing. They've had plenty of time to get that done. I understand they're pretty much filming on the third episode right now, and so the first episode is in post-production already, and there are several weeks until Comic-Con, so they are right on schedule to have this ready to show at Comic-Con, and I think Tim Kring said something about, "Well, if we need to get a buzz going for Season Three, I'd be more than happy to spoil a few things ahead of time to get that buzz going." He said that in talking about showing the first episode of Season Three at Comic-Con, so that should be pretty amazing if they decide to do that. There will also be a couple of other exclusives for fans at Comic-Con. Apparently, there's going to be an exclusive Comic-Con Sylar action figure which I saw, and that looked pretty neat. You can find an image of that in our AAC and also on our website. Also, there's going to be a current and future Hiro two-headed bobble-head doll. This thing looks really weird, but it's actually kind of cool in a collector's item kind of way I guess. I've never seen that done before.

D: I haven't seen either one of these, the Sylar action figure, the new exclusive Sylar action figure or this bobble-head thing. That sounds pretty cool.

G: And those are going to be only available at Comic-Con and in limited quantities, so I'm sure they'll sell really fast, so if you want one, got to get to Comic-Con early and got to find the right folks to get that. That's all for our announcements. We're so glad to finally have the concrete details of our Comic-Con escapades and what we're going to be doing while we're out there. Stay tuned for that especially on our website and at our Twitter username heroespodcast.

### **HEROES HEADLINES**

D: Next up are our headlines. Our first headline is Season Two DVD details are finally starting to emerge ([Season 2 DVD Details!](#)). Remember the Season Two DVD release is on August 26<sup>th</sup> later this year. Just in time for the Season Three premiere of *Heroes*. If Season Two is in standard definition, its suggested price is \$29.99 and it's going to feature all 11 episodes from the second season on four discs including some bonus content which they go above and beyond they did with the first set, I know they are for this one again: audio commentary, deleted scenes. It's going to have the alternate ending to "Generations". It's going to have untold stories and a special sneak peak at Season Three. Season Two is also going to be in Blu-Ray, and it's at a discounted price right now, \$49.98 on Amazon. It's going to have extra content like picture-in-picture commentaries and a whole bunch of other stuff, and it's also going to have Season One re-released in Blu-Ray which the price I saw for that last night was \$99.98—

G:—which seems about right.

D: I'm hoping that comes down in time.

G: Well this is the MSRP, the manufacturer's suggested retail price, all of this is. I'm sure Amazon will have all of this for much cheaper as they did last year with the Season One DVD.

D: Pre-orders should start anytime now. I'm hoping they will be up by this weekend we should see them. I think definitely we should. The cover art has come out for it now. I'm not a huge fan of it. I don't know how you feel about it Graham. I kind of think they lost the theme they were trying to go for with the first one.

G: I'm not sure if that's the official cover art because it showed up on the placeholder page that Amazon put up and it also showed up on the British version of the *Heroes* Season Two DVD, and I'm not sure if the American DVD is going to look exactly the same.

D: Oh, have you not seen the new cover art? It's out. The official US regional one is out.

G: Oh, I didn't see that.

D: And it's the same. It looks like Season One in its black and the lettering and everything, but in the eclipse, it's the picture from the Season Two promo picture of all of them standing in the street.

G: Oh, okay. I kind of wish they would've stayed with the same look but different, maybe a different color like that green color we've seen before.

D: I think so too. I think if they'd gone from the red and the gold to something else that would've looked cool, but they didn't ask us.

G: Of course not. We're not the go-to people for that kind of stuff, but of course, it's not so much you can't judge a book by its cover you know. You just got to put the DVD in your DVD drive and hope that hopefully the content will be amazing. I'm really looking forward to the bonus content. There's also a complete list—we kind of skimmed over a few things—at our website on the post about the Season Two DVD details.

D: And you can check that out by going to our AAC right now, but there's something else that worries me. I don't know if this bothers you or not. Maybe I didn't think about certain things. You think it's going to be a smaller package?

G: I think it will be smaller because there are only four discs.

D: That bothers me though because it's smaller than the first one and then when Season Three is 22 episodes again or however many, it's going to go back up to that size.

G: Well, it'll kind of be a visual representation of how small Season Two in comparison was I guess.

D: We don't need a reminder. We know. It hurts enough.

G: Our next headline is the *Heroes* cast and crew turned out for the *Get Smart* premiere here in LA ([Heroes Cast & Crew at the 'Get Smart' Premiere](#)). The premiere was actually very close to where I'm living, and I knew that Masi was in the film, but I had no idea that so many *Heroes* folks would be at the premiere. We walked over and checked out the premiere. I don't think I've ever been to a red carpet premiere. I've been to the Golden Globes, so I'm used to the red carpet experience, but I've never been to a movie premiere, so I just kind of walked over and checked it out. Of course, Masi showed up and that was really neat, and I took pictures so you'll see those in the AAC, but while I was looking across the street and I was just looking at all the press and the reporters and people like that, I see two familiar faces coming across the street toward me, and it was Greg Beeman and Allan Arkush, and I couldn't believe it. I put my camera down, and I waved my hand, and I yelled for Greg, and he came up to me. I introduced myself, but he remembered me from October, and I thought that was pretty fun. Greg and Allan are really nice guys. They're *Heroes* directors and co-producers or co-executive producers. Greg Beeman has directed several episodes and Arkush has directed lots of episodes especially in Season Two, so it was great to meet them. Of the *Heroes* cast members that I saw while I was out there at the *Get Smart* premiere, I saw Sendhil Ramamurthy who plays Mohinder and also Zachary Quinto who plays Sylar. He was in a hurry to get to the ticket office when I saw him. It was really neat to just see them out there and showing up for the premiere.

D: I know several people who would've liked to have been in your shoes to see Zachary Quinto.

G: It was really fun, and it's weird to be reporting on this from the point of view of being there because usually we would get the news from some website, and we'd be back home reporting on all these *Heroes* folks that showed up, but I was actually there and it's kind of a neat experience. I didn't get to see the movie while I was there, so I'm looking forward to seeing it this weekend. I hear that it's actually really funny. There was an exclusive sneak-peek clip that showed up on iTunes last week and we've linked it on our website (['Get Smart' iTunes Sneak Peek](#)). It has Masi Oka's character in it. It's really funny. It's about seven or eight minutes long. *Get Smart* opens everywhere this weekend on June 20<sup>th</sup> so go check that out.

D: And don't forget that Masi's *Get Smart* spin-off movie comes to DVD and Blu-Ray on July 1<sup>st</sup>. This next headline, I'm very excited about. *The Greatest American Hero* from 1970s television is heading to the *Heroes* cast ([The 'Greatest American Hero' to guest on Heroes!](#)). William Katt just finished shooting a guest spot on *Heroes*. I used to love this show when I was a kid. It says he's playing a real seedy reporter that goes after one of our principal characters, and he had lots of nice things to say about the *Heroes* cast and crew. You can find the full article from Newsarama linked on the post off our website via our AAC right now. Dude, I used to love this show when I was a kid. I love that they cast like this, all these people from *Star Trek* that they bring in, classic television like this that they're doing now. They're bringing William Katt in and I just think it's hilarious.

G: It's so great to see people like William Katt coming onto the show and doing guest spots. I really enjoyed the cameos we've seen in the past like Stanley in Season One. I mean, it's just great to see these great big names in comic books and television coming to do small little nods to the fans at *Heroes*.

D: Do you have one person you'd like to see from sci-fi television or movies show up in a guest role spot in one episode Graham?

G: I really—not off the top of my head because I haven't been an avid follower of some of the more classic shows so I don't know. Anyone I would suggest would be from a newer show that probably isn't as popular, but what about you Derek?

D: I think if anybody, I'd love to see Christopher Lloyd show up.

G: That would be pretty neat.

D: Some kind of *Back to the Future* reference I just think would be hilarious.

G: If Christopher Lloyd could work with a *Heroes* character for an episode, that'd be it.

D: If his character somehow intertwined with Hiro, that would be perfect.

G: Absolutely. Our next headline is the *Heroes* action figures that we've talked about in the past are now on sale ([Heroes action figures now on sale!](#)). The NBC online store contacted us this week and told us that they're now selling the *Heroes* action figures. There's a figure of Peter, Syla, Claire, Mohinder, and Hiro. It's all part of this Series Two set that they've done, and each product page has a short really funny video with the *Heroes* cast members being presented with their respective action figures. I watched the one with Milo who plays Peter on the show. They gave him his action figure, and he was just looking at it thinking this is really cool. You could tell this was a moment for him to be holding an action figure of himself, and he said right before he walked away, "Alright, I'm

going to put me in my pocket now,” and he puts the figure in his pocket and walks away. If you want to go check out those figures and if you want to support the podcast, any purchase made from the NBC online store after following our links there helps us now that we’ve partnered with the NBC online store. They’ve been really great in working with us and setting up a new partnered account for us.

D: Our next headline is another new cast member heading to the *Heroes* set ([Francis Capra joining Heroes](#)). Francis Capra is another *Veronica Mars* star who played Weevil on the show, and now he’s going to be playing a character named Jesse who’s going to eventually cross paths with Peter, and Graham’s got listed here that he was the kid with Shaq in the film *Kazaam*.

G: One of our listeners actually picked up on that. He looked it up on IMDB and found out that he was in *Kazaam*, which I actually saw that movie in theaters believe it or not.

D: God help you. Yeah, I remember that movie. I remember *Steel* too, talking about Shaq movies. I do remember that kid, but I did not know that that was him on *Veronica Mars* though. I didn’t watch the show much, but they’re bringing all these people in you know from these different shows and I just think it’s great that this is another one for the books.

G: Right, well who knows how many more *Veronica Mars* folks will show up on *Heroes*, and especially other people from other shows because I mean, shows that actually had big fan followings like *Veronica Mars*, if those shows go off the air, I just can’t help but think that *Heroes* knows they can get some of those great actors from those successful shows that it would help *Heroes* out in a big way, and I think that’s what they’re doing here with Kristen Bell and now Francis Capra.

D: Well I think with Rosenbaum not being on *Smallville* anymore and being such good friends with Beeman, he needs to grow some hair and come onto *Heroes* for a couple episodes.

G: How great would that be? I would enjoy that a lot. We know he’s visited the set before to say hi to Beeman. Who knows? Maybe they’re working some deal under the table. We have a few more quick headlines to go over although these aren’t huge things so we’ve put them at the bottom of our headlines section. Masi Oka is going to be on Conan O’Brien June 20<sup>th</sup> which is this Friday, so look forward to that because the last time he was on Conan, it was a lot of fun ([Masi Oka on Conan June 20th](#)). It was really funny, and we know that the two of them together can come up with some really great stuff. We’ll be watching that on Friday, and we hope that you’ll tune into NBC on Friday as well. Also, we have gotten word from several of our listeners and other websites that Season Two is now available in its entirety at NBC.com and Hulu.com ([Season 2 available at](#)

[NBC.com](http://NBC.com) and [Hulu.com](http://Hulu.com)). We think this is most likely for a limited amount of time because they don't want to leave this up when the Season Two DVDs start going on sale. It might actually impact their sales a little bit. Also, some really interesting news Comcast On Demand apparently has Season One and Season Two available in standard definition and high definition for a limited time on their On Demand service which is pretty cool ([Seasons 1 and 2 available on Comcast Online](#)). I've used that before over at a friend's house that had it, and we watched several episodes of, I guess, *CSI: Miami*, and it was so cool how you could just kind of scroll through a list and you click on a show you want to watch, and there you go. You're watching an episode with very limited commercial interruption for those shows, so I'm sure those of you who have Comcast On Demand and you're a *Heroes* fan, this is good news for you, so go check that out now and I think you just have to tune in to channel 1 to access that if you're on Comcast.

D: Yeah, that really is a neat service. I've always enjoyed playing with it when I'm over at somebody's house, when I'm very bored and find something because you have that free stuff, free movies! You can just pick one.

G: Right, it's a great way to waste some time, and I guess for you guys, it's a great way to catch up on *Heroes* before Season Three starts. Well that's all we have for our headlines this week. Let's move on to our listener e-mails

### **EMAIL**

Derek: All right, welcome to our Email section. I've got the first one here from Daniel. He says:

Hey guys, love the show, but I think you're reading way too much into the "twelve villain" comment. I personally believe the statement could have been an over exaggeration of how bad a new character is, or the twelve villains may be a villain with a power like Multiple Man from X-Men. You know, the guy who can become many copies of himself. Maybe that's what they're aiming at. Love the show.

I could see that but I think...I'm basing it on the way that Noah referred to them. You know, like the tone, the inflection, that kind of stuff. So that's what I'm taking away from it. What about you, Graham

Graham: I'm sort of the same way. Realizing that we know that somehow this whole villains thing ties up to some deal with a prison. That there's a possibility there could be more than one person that's... Also, it's called "Villains" not "Villain." There's just a lot of clues that we picked up to kind of make us think that this is a lot of different people, not so much one person with the ability to become many different people, or many different copies. Although, we haven't seen that power yet in *Heroes* and it would be very interesting to see somebody that could do that.

D: No, I agree completely. I think that would be cool. I just, for the sake of the way that they're amping this up and the Villains, like you said, the plural, even though we've got Sylar and we've got Adam and all this stuff. I think that the way that Noah was talking about it—he made it more sound like he was talking about a group than an individual.

G: Though I really like how this email starts to kind of to really look at what he said and kind of think of other ways, or other things that could be happening. I would think it would be pretty interesting to have one person to be able to make 12 copies of himself and wreak havoc. So, we'll look forward to whatever they decide to do and for whatever reason why Mr. Bennet had to go out and say "This would be like 12 Sylars running free." Whatever it is, it's going to be really sweet! Whenever this comes about in the story. It's going to be one of those *Heroes* moments, I like to call 'em. You're just going to be sitting on the couch and you drop the remote—you're just blown away by what they're doing. Our next email is from Sophia. She went to the big AppleCon in New York a couple of weeks ago that we talked about. This was the con that had Malcolm McDowell on the schedule. And so she wrote us up a report about her time there and she said, she thanked us for mentioning it because I think that's what got her to sign up and go get tickets for it. That's pretty cool. And she says:

Before I mention the Malcolm McDowell panel, I wanted to tell you guys about another one I went to that was on the up and coming comic book artists. One of the artists there, Gene Ha, mentioned that he would be working on the cover of the next *Heroes* collection of graphic novels.

So, that's interesting news. That's great. It's great to get sort of a confirmation that there is a next volume coming down the road. So, he's apparently working on the cover. We know the last volume had two covers done by pretty big names in the comic book world, so it's great to hear that they're already working on volume two for the graphic novels. And she goes on to say:

I'm not sure exactly what that means and I can't get a confirmation on it, but I thought you guys would find that interesting. Another artist was there was wearing a "Are You On the List?" *Heroes* t-shirt and neither of them mentioned Tim Sale during the discussion, which was a little depressing for me anyways, but oh well.

And she says that she went to the Malcolm McDowell panel and that it was amazing. She says:

He was hilarious and told a lot of really great stories. Unfortunately, my camera wasn't working, so I had to rely on my cell phone to take pictures.

And she did attach a couple of pictures to this email, which I thought was really cool. She says:

Near the end of the panel, when he was taking questions from the audience, once person asked him about any new projects and he said that he is definitely going to be back on *Heroes*.

We take that to mean in some capacity. We don't know if this for flashbacks, for scenes before he died, or if that kind of hints that he might be coming back. At

this point in time, we just think he's just gone back and shot scenes for flashbacks that are going to touch on some things that happened in Season One that we probably just didn't see.

D: Well, you know I'm happy in whatever capacity he is back, because dude's frickin' great! He's the man. When he was coming on in the first place, I was really happy he was going to be Linderman. But it's just kind of a big stunt-casting thing to not kill him off in Season One, so I'm very happy that he's going to be back around. Even if it is just flashbacks, I don't care. I just want to see him again. I love the guy.

G: Sophia goes on to say that she got a chance to meet him because after the panel, they had a meet and greet and she told him that she was glad he was working with Heroes again and she says that she forgot to mention the 10<sup>th</sup> Wonder to him and she apologized for that. It's okay, it's okay. We didn't tell you to go up and tell him. It's great that you were there, though. It's great that you sent us a report and these great pictures, and so we really appreciate it, Sophia. Thank you so much for that email.

D: We'll let the lack of a mention slide this time. This next one I have here is from John. This is kind of a lengthy one, but John says he understands that Ali Larter is going to survive from Seasons Two and Three. He's of two minds about this. He says:

First, I love Ali and the Niki character. I think superstrength and kick butt fighting skills is needed in the Heroes universe. Her power is one of the coolest. Who hasn't dreamed of that moment when your anger gets the best of you and you're able to physically kick some butt. Additionally, Ali is great in the role and has a look of innocence about her, but she can also look altogether different when her other personality comes through. However, the other side of this, is that I don't think her character has ever been fully explained. My hope for Season Three is a fuller explanation of the Niki/Jessica character. I actually thought at the end of Season One in "How to Stop and Exploding Man" after she rescued Micah from the woman who could generate illusions Niki and Jessica had actually merged. Then in Season Two we find out that she has the Shanti virus and a possible third personality exists. I had hoped in Season Two that we'd have a fuller explanation of Niki's past and what caused her personality split. Was it truly a personality split after all? Wasn't her sister who's dead, Jessica and what role does her father who we meet in Season One, play in her split personality and the death of her sister? What are you guys' thoughts of this and the character in general?

I'm with you on that, there, John. If Ali is back, and we've seen—I don't think it's too much of a spoiler that we've seen that she is, on all the commercials and everything they're showing on TV. For the third season, I think a deeper

explanation into her character is needed and I think we're going to get some of that, this season, given that some of these new cast members that they're announcing have to do with the Niki/Jessica character.

G: Right, and the Niki/Jessica character is one of the characters on *Heroes* that a lot of fans have either a love/hate relationship with. They either like her or they don't like her. There aren't a lot of people that are kind of indifferent about it. So, there was some rejoicing when we thought that maybe she was going to be off the show, but then again, there were some folks who were like, well, there's another missed opportunity, kind of like D.L. People were really hoping D.L. would stay on the show and there was a lost opportunity when we found out he was leaving. So, I'm glad to find out that she's probably back on the show for this season and there's a lot they can do as far as what I think has happened to her character. I would like to know that her personalities have merged—she's Niki, but she has the superstrength.

D: Yeah.

G: We didn't see a whole lot of that in Season Two, 'cause they just didn't have enough time to explain that fully to us. But we didn't see Jessica really come out in Season Two, we saw this new character. I forget her name already.

D: Well, we only saw her around for one episode, so yeah.

G: Right, so I'm just kind of hoping that maybe something did happen, maybe something merged and she's okay, it's just one personality but she has the super strength.

D: That was probably the weakest part of Season One to me and I know in character development that's one of the hardest things to do is to introduce a new character and get you hooked on them, believing in them, fighting for them, rooting for them. She really was—I didn't enjoy the whole Niki/Jessica thing in Season One and they tried to amp it up a whole lot. I *really* enjoyed the story line in Season Two. That was one of the cliffhangers I was concerned about at the end of "Powerless," you know when the bar blows up with her in it. I think that love/hate thing can kind of change. I guess I'm in the minority because I really can go back and forth on that. It depends so much on what's going on around her character and not so much she's doing. So thanks for that, John.

G: The next email is from Dan. He says:

I noticed in "The Line" Peter and Caitlin show up in a deserted New York City, scattered with flyers about the Shanti virus dated June 14, 2008/ Seeing how that's this Saturday, [this is an older email] how about a discussion about the virus? What would mutating it do to regular humans? Are we talking *I Am Legend* mutants, or The Stand's superflu? Obviously, it didn't target all of the evolved

humans as Angela survived it and what happens to Caitlin now? Is she gone forever or does she magically reappear back in her timeline like Jennifer in *Back to the Future II* and *III*?

D: Nice! You mention *Back to the Future* and my ears go up every time. I think the term “fate worse than death” always comes into play with this virus mutating. As far as the way Caitlin goes, I kind of hate that it was something left hanging at the end of Season Two. I know the strike and other things impacted that, but I really hope that Peter can kind of fix that mistake now.

G: Right, Peter does have the ability to travel in time, right? So, he could go back and fix that, but we just haven’t been given the time to do that because of the strike and because Season Two was cut short. I’m *sure* they knew where they were going with that. Since things had to be changed, I think that’s just one of the casualties of the strike. We’re just not going to know what happened to Caitlin until later on in Season Three when they’re finally able to deal with that. Also, the email goes on to ask that:

What are the chances that while Peter was not affected by the virus, that he may be a carrier and brought it back with him? And even though he destroyed the vial, he may be spreading it around as we speak.

I guess he’s kind of hinting at that maybe the virus will come back into play next season?

D: I think so, with the fact that we know how the season was originally going to end: Aron and Joe said on the show that Peter did not catch the vial, it did shatter, people were infected, including Nathan and everybody kind of ends up in Odessa. I think that they can take that same aspect and just alter it to the fact that Peter was able to save it right then. It’s kind of like—and I hate to bring this in—but it’s kind of like the Superman rule. You can be impervious to everything, but the world around you is not impervious. You think about *Superman Returns* when the plane is going down and Superman is trying to catch the plane, yeah, Superman’s not going to get hurt by it but the plane can still break into a billion pieces and he can’t save the whole thing at once. So, if this virus can go down anywhere and they can’t be at all places at once to stop what could be a mass outbreak and I still think that’s kind of the direction that they’re going to be taking. I think that Sylar and these villains might have to tie into the storyline of the virus at some point. We’re definitely not done with the virus.

G: Yeah, there’s a lot more explaining to be done about the virus and the history behind it. Maybe the strain that was going to be released—that Adam was going to release—caused this desolate future that we did see in “The Line.” I think just be destroying that strain, you stopped the worst thing from happening for a brief period of time. Maybe there’s another strain. That was a very weird strain that somebody had worked on and tweaked a little bit, but there’s a ton more somewhere else, in some other vault. So, who knows? They might be bringing

the virus back. It might be playing a large role or a small role. It may be used against somebody in Season Three. It's still one of the pieces of our chess game, here.

D: That's a great email. I had not thought about the time synching up with our actual, literal time right now of when Peter and Caitlin jumped ahead in the future.

G: Right, June 14, 2008. What was I doing on June 14, 2008?

D: That was three days ago? Four days ago? Four days ago.

G: I think I was at Disneyland. [laughter]

D: I was sitting on the beach. No virus affecting me.

G: I had no idea what was going on in Odessa at that time.

D: All right, I've got one last one here and I apologize if I butcher your name. Ry-sa? It's R-a-i-s-s-a. I'm sorry, I'm butchering it. Ry-sa or Ray-sa has sent us a link to get a free Heroes button over at TVSquad.com. And when you go to this link—I guess you can go through the AAC right now, Graham's probably got that going for you—they are NBC/Universal Emmy campaign buttons. There's one for *30 Rock*, there's one for *The Office*, and there's a bunch, including one for *Heroes*, they don't have a picture of it, unfortunately, at least I don't have one. You don't have one, do you Graham?

G: I don't think so.

D: Okay, the picture's got one from *30 Rock*, but the image on the side says "Support Your Heroes" and I assume it's got a cast photo on the button. So, that's really cool. All you have to do is go to this website, the 2008 Nomination List over at [www.nominate08.tv](http://www.nominate08.tv). Fill out your name, street address, all that kind of information and you can get one of these buttons. Pretty sweet little deal.

G: And it's all part of the Emmys push for *Heroes*. You remember that *Heroes* was nominated for 8 Emmys last fall and did not come through on any of those. I'm not sure how that could possibly have happened, but it did. We were all very disappointed that *Heroes* didn't at least come out with one Emmy for how great and successful Season One was. But, hey, that's the name of the game in TV. You just have to wait and hope your show will get recognized and rightfully so, for the second season. We're just kind of hoping that *Heroes* will get something this year, although *Heroes* was very largely affected by the strike and I don't think it's very likely that we would come out with an Emmy for this season, but who knows? Before we go, I just realized something that I skipped over in Sophia's email. She mentioned something about a *Heroes* question on Jeopardy! recently

and sent us a picture and this is absolutely hilarious. We're going to put this up in the AAC. It was question involving Jack Coleman. It says:

Jack Coleman, who plays the mysterious H.R.G. on this show is a descendent of Benjamin Franklin

D: Now how about that? That's pretty neat. I didn't know that. Actually, I did know that. Heroeswiki or somebody did little trivia things like that and I remember reading that now. I had completely forgotten about that.

G: And that's your trivia question for the day, 10<sup>th</sup> Wonder listeners. Jack Coleman is a descendent of Benjamin Franklin. And this was on Jeopardy! That's very cool. I enjoyed getting that picture from Sophia, so thanks again for that. This email just keeps on giving.

D: That's all for our 10<sup>th</sup> Wonder emails for today.

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Graham: Also, once again, our content provider Wizard Media is asking us to plug a new audience survey. This helps them get an idea of who's listening to us and that will help them to continue to find new sponsors like Audible for our show. They tell us that they only need a few more people to complete the survey, so this is likely the last week we'll plug it and we certainly want to thank everybody who took the time to complete the survey already. Thank you so much for your support. You can find that survey over at [survey.heroespodcast.com](http://survey.heroespodcast.com).

### **CLOSING**

Graham: Our website, of course, is [heroespodcast.com](http://heroespodcast.com). We've been updating that quite frequently with all of the news that's been going across the internet in the past few weeks. Also, our email: [heroespodcast@gmail.com](mailto:heroespodcast@gmail.com). We love getting email from you guys, so send them our way and we'll read them on our podcast! Also our forums: [forums.heroespodcast.com](http://forums.heroespodcast.com) – a very large community

of *Heroes* fans there and it's only going to grow as *Heroes* comes back on the air in September.

Derek: Can I just say it's grown by one more in the past two weeks because I'm having a heck of a time and I've haven't been that involved since we started the forums but I've been hanging out over for the past week and half with some of the folks: Hammer and Sylarina and Xander and I came over from the SHOE forums and we're having some fun. I'm just having a heck of a blast. We've got some of the best, like, people hanging out over there and posting and I'm just having fun mingling with people.

G: Derek and I are trying to get more involved in the forums and that's another reason for you guys to sign up and have a chat with us, because we only do this podcast once every two weeks. We have a lot of downtime in between, so we love to chat with you guys, we love to answer emails and check the forum posts. So head over to [forums.heroespodcast.com](http://forums.heroespodcast.com) and check that out. Also our voicemail: (206) 350-7159. Put that in your phone and send us a voice mail whenever you have a theory or something you want to say to us. We usually get around to playing those voicemails at the end of our podcast and it's great to hear from your guys, it's great to check that voicemail every once in a while and hear what our listeners have to say and hear your questions about *Heroes* and whatnot. And finally, our Twitter: [twitter.com/heroespodcast](https://twitter.com/heroespodcast). It's a great way to keep in touch with us, whenever we post something on our website, it gets automatically posted to our Twitter. And especially it's going to be a great way to keep up with us once we're at our Comic-Con in San Diego. So if you need to locate us, we're going to be putting our location in there every once in a while and especially updating you guys on what we're up to when we're at Comic-Con. That's all for this week. We're going to continue doing the 10<sup>th</sup> Wonder all the way through the summer. There's not going to be a break like we had last year, so we're excited about that. Comic-Con is merely a month away, and that's in July. July 23<sup>rd</sup> is when we're going for the preview night and it's going to be a blast. We can't wait to meet a lot of you guys there. We can't wait for our panel. It's going to be a lot of fun. *Heroes* will return on September 22<sup>nd</sup> with a 3-hour premiere event, and we're looking forward to that as well.

D: And if anybody remembers Tangent, we're bringing it back, folks.

G: Who's going to be the host?

D: Me and Shane.

G: Okay, so Shane's coming back?

D: Yeah, we just did one. Right before 10<sup>th</sup> Wonder.

G: See, this is new information for me.

D: Yeah, I blindsided you.

G: I'm not on the top of the list since I'm 2000 miles away.

D: Yeah, we just did one, so it will probably be up by the time 10<sup>th</sup> Wonder becomes available.

G: Awesome! That's great news, so head over to [tangentcast.com](http://tangentcast.com) if you want to check that out. It's a fun, conversational podcast and it's all just about any topic. It's called Tangent because they go off on as many tangents as possible. It's a random conversation. We enjoyed putting that together last year and it's great to hear that it's coming back. Well, that's all for this week. We'll see you next time. I'm Graham

D: And I'm Derek.

G: We've got spoilers right after the music, so stay tuned.

D: See you guys!

### **SPOILERS**

Derek: All right and after the music, that means we're back at our Spoilers section. We haven't been doing a whole lot of spoilers because the details are slowly coming in for Season Three, but we've got a few tidbits we thought we'd share today. E! Entertainment News is reporting that one major hero will die within the first 3 minutes of Season Three.

Graham: Interesting news to hear that. We've always been skeptical when we hear stuff like that because they always say "Someone's going to die" and it doesn't end up the way we thought it would.

D: Yeah, somebody always comes back. You can have fun with that kind of stuff.

G: But, it's always anybody's guess, too, about who's going to die. If this is a legitimate thing, if this is a legitimate spoiler. Within the first 3 minutes? Really? I'm not sure. But I can guarantee you that it might be a play on words, kind of like how they said you know, two people will die in the finale of Heroes and no one actually died.

D: Maya was fine and Niki's probably going to be fine. Speaking of Niki, though William Katt who was on the *Greatest American Hero*, who we announced earlier in the show, his character will be pursuing Niki in the second episode of Season

Three, and as we said, he is a reporter that is following her. So, it will be interesting to note what he's up to.

G: Yeah, what's his M.O.? What's he going to be doing? And why is he after Niki? I think it might—I'm not sure who he's working for yet, but I can almost bet you that he might not be a legitimate reporter. He might be working for someone else under the guise of a reporter, something like that. Just my guess. Our next spoiler is another great one that we were hoping would happen. Claire's mom is going to be returning in Season Three. Now, this isn't her adoptive mom, this is Jessalyn Gilsig's character. The firebrand, who last we heard, had moved off to Mexico. We thought we were going to see her in Season Two since there was so much happening in Mexico, but apparently not. And apparently, we are going to see more of her in Season Three, which is good news.

D: She would make for a very cool villain.

G: I think she would, too, if somehow she was able to be coaxed over to the darker side of things.

D: I mean, she's already kind of a seedy character, the way she kind of blackmailed Nathan, so, I wouldn't think that would be far-fetched for her.

G: I wouldn't either, but we're looking forward to more details on that. We'll let you guys know.

D: This last one comes from Adrian Pasdar who is quoted as saying that Angela actually has three sons.

G: Now this is interesting. This might have been a slip—he probably wasn't supposed to say this. This came out during an interview in London with some reporter on the red carpet or on some sort of press junket and he said something about Angela and her three sons. Well, this is information to us if that is true if he wasn't making a mistake.

D: I don't know, Angela got around a bit. That's all I'm going to say.

G; Well, we had some brief hints in Season Two that Angela might have had a frolic with Mr. Nakamura which would link Hiro to Peter and Nathan. Could Hiro be the third Petrelli son?

D: I don't know. That would be pretty funny, though. That might be a stretch. I don't know if I'd like that or not.

G: It would be...it's one of those things—and there have been plenty of them in *Heroes* to go around—it's one of those things where as a rumor, you don't like it, but when it actually happens in the show, it might be okay.

D: I mean, if you're going to say Hiro's the third son, then, yeah, Sylar is the third son. [laughter] If there's going to be a third son, I think it would be funnier, I think it would be better if it was someone we hadn't seen yet.

G: Yeah, I agree with that completely, but just going by the evidence we had in Season Two that Angela was in, um, good relations with Mr. Nakamura, that is what kind of has me leaning towards Hiro. But I just...it's one of those things that you hope isn't true—that you hope won't happen.

D: Let's just keep in mind that this is not confirmed. This may have been a wrong word of mouth sort of thing and Adrian may have meant something else. But, as of right now, this is not something that's been confirmed by NBC or official spoilers or anything like that.

G: Exactly, so this could just be a slip from Adrian or it could be something he meant to say to get people talking. That's how this spoiler business goes, guys.

D: Exactly, exactly.

G: But, that's all we have for spoilers this week. Thanks once again, guys, for joining us for another 10<sup>th</sup> Wonder podcast. We appreciate it. Don't forget to pick up your t-shirts over at [heroespodcast.com](http://heroespodcast.com). You'll find the post about our t-shirts there. We're excited about that. Thanks for listening. We'll see you next time.

D: Bye, everybody!