FALLOUT: EQUESTRIA PROJECT HORIZONS

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Note: While the story is written as a continuous narrative, here it has been split into volumes due to its length. Feedback, discussion and constructive criticism of Project Horizons are encouraged at the Project Horizons page on Equestria Daily or the new Cloudsville thread.

Once upon a time, in the magical land of Equestria, the virtues of friendship were cast aside in favor of greed, suspicion and war. Finally, the world itself was ravaged by the fires of countless megaspells; civilization, as it once was, ceased to exist. The city of Hoofington, however, did not die easily. Even with the world shattered, the ominous, irradiated towers of the Core remained standing. Formerly the center of Equestria's wartime research and development efforts, the ruined city now slumbers, a place of poisoned secrets and perilous treasures. One unicorn mare, already burdened by guilt and self-doubt, finds herself thrust into the center of Hoofington's web of intrigue. With a diverse and dysfunctional band of companions at her side, she must unravel a mystery over two hundred years in the making — if the trials of the Equestrian Wasteland don't unravel her first.

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Volume One - The Security Mare

Blackjack, an incompetent security mare from the dystopian Stable 99, suddenly has her monotonous life turned upside down when the stable is invaded by vicious raiders. In a daring plan to save her home, Blackjack flees the stable with EC-1101, a valuable data file. With an enormous price on her head and a deadly cyberpony out for her blood, the struggle to survive in the blasted ruins of Hoofington tests her resolve and courage to their limits.

Chapter 1 - Inception

"Once upon a time, in the magical land of Equestria..."

Chapter 2 - Trust

"In the end, we all have to trust in something..."

Chapter 3 - Learning Curve

"I'm so sorry..."

Chapter 4 - Innocence

"Another donut! Extra sprinkles!"

Chapter 5 - Work

"Step one... stay alive. Step two... I dunno. Step three... profit!"

Chapter 6 - Play

"I know lots of other ways to take care of you. Don't worry. You're gonna get better."

Chapter 7 - Prices

"YOU TOUCH IT, YOU BUY IT. We take cash or credit."

Chapter 8 - Long Roads

"Are you sayin' my mouth is makin' promises my legs can't keep?"

Chapter 9 - Stone

"There was no talking. There was no smiling. There were only rocks."

Chapter 10 - Ante Up

"Oh yeah. You think you can do better, cowgirl?"

Chapter 11 - Peace

"Sweet Celestia, she's drunk!"

Chapter 12 - Denial

"Obviously, that's why I zipped my mouth closed, then locked it with a key, then dug a hole, then buried the key, then built a house on top of the hole where I buried the key, then moved into the house on top of the hole."

Chapter 13 - Turnabout

"Ahem ... hint hint?"

Chapter 14 - Strength

"THAT was a truly feeble performance."

Chapter 15 - Flank

"That wasn't the doozy? How could that not be the doozy?!"

Chapter 16 - Walk the Hard Road

"We're ... gonna ... run!"

Volume Two - Blood and Stars

Free of pursuit for the time being, Blackjack sets to finding out more about the mysterious data file that the monstrous Reaper, Deus, invaded her home stable to find; a task made easier by powerful and enigmatic new allies. More and more, however, thoughts of her past mistakes weigh heavily on the Security Mare's conscience, and the hunt for answers soon transforms into an impossible quest for redemption.

Chapter 17 - Identity

"It's all secrets and lies with those ponies!!"

Chapter 18 - Monsters

"It seems like the only thing royal about you is that you are a royal pain!"

Chapter 19 - EC-1101

"Does my crown no longer count, now that I have been imprisoned for a thousand years?"

Chapter 20 - Mercy

"Tough love, baby!"

Chapter 21 - Waterfall

"I shall save you! Show yourselves, you dogs! You curs! Ha! There you are, you mangy mutts."

Chapter 22 - Damned

"You've got to get into the spirit of things! After all, this is your new home!"

Chapter 23 - Walkabout

"When all the truth does is make your heart ache, sometimes a lie is easier to take."

Chapter 24 - Hell of a Night

"It's the horrifying story of the messy inconsiderate ghost, who irritated everypony within a hundred miles! OoooooOOOwwwwOOOoo..."

Chapter 25 - Competition

"I was gonna say 'In all of Equestria,' but that might be gilding the lily."

Chapter 26 - Descent

"Curses are artificial, fake magic. It's conjured with potions and incantations, all smoke and mirrors meant to scare. But curses have no real power; they're just an old pony tale."

Chapter 27 - Salvage

"Bah! Trixie is exhausted from performing feats beyond imagination. Begone with you until morning!"

Chapter 28 - Orientation

"Thanks guys, you're all great friends too, even when I don't understand me!"

Chapter 29 - Mortality

"Now listen here. What I'm sayin' to you is the honest truth. Let go, and you'll be safe."

Chapter 30 - Allegiances

"What I meant is, you should get to know these tribes and decide which ones you like and which you don't!"

Chapter 31 - Battle

"Just because you've failed the sonic rainboom a hundred thousand times in practice doesn't mean you won't be able to do it in front of an entire stadium full of impatient, super-critical, sports-fan ponies."

Chapter 32 - Choir

"Though quarrels arise, their numbers are few. Laughter and singing will see us through."

Chapter 33 - Black

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Volume Three - Second Chances

Events build towards their inevitable climax in Equestria at large. Meanwhile, in Hoofington, rumors spread far and wide about the sudden disappearance of the notorious Security Mare. Strange groups accumulate outside settlements throughout the region, bearing an ominous standard. Life-stealing Enervation fields are on the rise, and something terrible stirs beneath the ruins of the Core. One way or another, the fallen city's dark secrets will soon come to light, and dramatic changes are in store for a certain group of friends...

Chapter 34 - Birthday

"This is the greatest day ever! We need to celebrate your birthday, babies, 'cause you were just born today!"

Chapter 35 - Learning

"And I saw the most amazing, most wonderful thing I've ever seen. I poured myself into learning everything I could about magic."

Chapter 36 - Victims

"Cross my heart and hope to fly, stick a cupcake in my-- ARRRGH!"

Chapter 37 - Winning and Losing

"Clock is ticking, Twilight! Clock! Is! TICKING!"

Chapter 38 - Blood

"You should see the looks on your faces! Priceless!"

Chapter 39 - Wages of Sin

"I hope you're happy! Both of you! You've ruined my very first slumber party. The makeover, the smores, the truth or dare, the pillow fight! I mean, is there anything else that could possibly go wrong?!"

Chapter 40 - Recovery

"Nice work. Rainbow Dash!"

Chapter 41 - Paths

"Biting off more than you can chew is just what I'm afraid of."

Chapter 42 - Reaper

"Twenty stalks? Bean or celery?"

Chapter 43 - Lucidity

"So... got any problems, troubles, conundrums, or any other sort of issues major or minor that I as a good friend could help you solve?"

Chapter 44 - Mares and Stallions

"It's awfully pretty."

"Yes, she was."

Chapter 45 - Meatlocker

"These ponies don't want a party. These ponies want a PARRR-TAY!"

Chapter 46 - Caper

"I dunno why we have to wear these things either ... "

"Aren't we wearing them for fun?"

Chapter 47 - Hightower

"She might banish you from Equestria. Or throw you in a dungeon. Or banish you and then throw you in a dungeon in the place that she banishes you to!"

Chapter 48 - Inferno

"Listen up! Smoke is spreading all across Equestria. But don't worry, I've received a letter from the Princess informing me that it is not coming from a fire."

Volume Four - Homecoming

The trials of the Wasteland wear everypony down with time, but with shadowy agendas coming to the fore and EC-1101 approaching its final destination, there's little opportunity to rest. Pursued by the Harbingers, the Remnant, the Enclave, and worse, life just keeps getting harder. And as she faces these challenges, the bearer of Equestria's destiny finds herself doubting the very quest upon which she's embarked.

Still, there's no place like home... right?

Chapter 49 - Consequence

"You have a lot to think about."

Chapter 50 - Selfishness

"I am going for a hooficure and that is that!"

"You are not going-"

"I am! I am!"

Chapter 51 - A Good Day

"Hey, you know what this calls for?"

Chapter 52 - Reunions

"I put two and two and two together and it added up to Matilda!"

Chapter 53 - Upgrades

"The war brought misery and death all over the world. I sure hope that something like that never happens again. But from what I've seen, there's not much hope for ponykind."

Chapter 54 - Fate

"Oh, my fortune telling has nothing to do with my Pinkie sense! It's only good for vague and immediate events. Like that, see? ...where did that even come from?"

Chapter 55 - Noblesse Oblige

"They are not slaves, they are our "servants." We have given them homes, food, clothing, and a purpose. We have given them a life."

Chapter 56 - Royal Pains

"Stay back! I just had myself groomed!"

Chapter 57 - Best Night Ever

"I can't believe we're finally here. With all that we've imagined, the reality of this night is sure to make this... The Best Night Ever!"

Chapter 58 - Departures

"You and I have some unfinished business. My magic's gotten better since I was here last. And I'm going to prove it! Me and you. A magic duel. Winner stays, loser leaves Ponyville forever!"

Chapter 59 - Turbulence

"I simply cannot imagine why the pegasus ponies would schedule a dreadful downpour this evening and ruin what could have been a glorious sunny day."

Chapter 60 - Civilization

"Here it is: the greatest city in the sky!"

Chapter 61 - Action, Reaction

"You saved my reputation with Princess Celestia, and more importantly, you saved Ponyville! ...Or not."

Chapter 62 - Between the Wolf and the Lion, Part One

Chapter 62 - Between the Wolf and the Lion, Part Two

"I've learned that one of the joys of friendship is sharing your blessings, but when there's not enough blessings to go around, having more than your friends, can make your feel pretty awful. So, though I appreciate the invitation, I will be returning both tickets to The Grand Galloping Gala."

Volume Five - Horizons

All across the Wasteland, sunshine and rainbows burst across the sky, and the Book of LittlePip, of the Lightbringer, gives hope to many who had thought it lost forever. Troubles still beset the peoples of what was once Equestria, but now the future, like the light from above, is bright. Except in the Hoof. There, no rainbow rings were seen; there, the clouds are as thick as ever, and the rain falls upon Enervated soil. In the Hoof, the Security Mare, for one brief moment, parted the clouds and let the city see the sky... and then she fell into the Core. After three months of silence, she is dead. She must be. But... Even if she is... There are Things stirring in that towering necropolis, and the world should hope that she is one of them. For if she is not... the Hoof may be only the beginning.

Chapter 63 - Perceptions

"I've got my eye on you."

Chapter 64 - Labyrinth

"To retrieve your missing Elements, just make sense of this change of events. Twists and turns are my master plan. Then find the Elements back where you began."

Chapter 65 - Knowledge

"Hello everypony! Did I miss anything?"

Chapter 66 - Ruin

"Well, there's something here about a dragon, the kingdom falling, chaos reigning... Okay, apparently it was all because the prince and princess were so lost in each other's eyes that they couldn't perform their royal duties."

Chapter 67 - Goldenblood

"No. You won't. You may have made it impossible for Shining Armor to perform his spell, but now that you have so foolishly revealed your true self, I can protect my subjects from you!"

Chapter 68 - Morning

"We must escape before it's too late Find a way to save the day"

Chapter 69 - Whiplash

"Well, just tell me what you really think. Tell me, tell me, tell-me-tell-me!"

Chapter 70 - Calm

"Sure, no problem! So long as Horizons doesn't fall before you can get there! Which I'm sure it won't!"

Chapter 71 - Ignition

"Darn it! Now you got me acting all sappy!"

Chapter 72 - Captive Audience

"You guys have gotta get me out of here! I'm gonna climb the walls!"

"Ooh, just like a spider! Did the crash somehow give her super-duper spider powers?"

Chapter 73 - Apogee

"Forget it, Twilight. I know what you're up to. The second I go in, you'll have your little minion Spike come and take Tom!"

"Tom?"

"Well, it's not going to work."

Chapter 74 - Call

"I have to find a way... To make this all okay... I can't believe this small mistake... Could've cause so much heartache..."

Chapter 75 - To the Last, Part One

Chapter 75 - To the Last, Part Two

"An exercise in rhetoric."

Chapter 76 - Paying the Price

"Never fear, girls. We have each other!"

Chapter 77 - All In

"What? My dream ended... happily? That. Cannot. Happen!"

Epilogue - Tomorrow

"Once upon a time, in the magical land of Equestria..."

Links

Fallout: Equestria - The original story, by KKat.

Fallout: Equestria Resource - Fallout Equestria fansite, with art and media of Fallout: Equestria, Project Horizons, and more.

Equestria Daily IRC - Join us in #FalloutEquestria.

Fallout: Equestria Wiki

Fallout: Equestria Deviantart Group

Project Horizons Deviantart Group

Fallout: Equestria and Project Horizons on TV Tropes. Warning: TV Tropes may ruin your life.

Cloudsville's Fanfiction section, within which are, generally near the top, the Project Horizons primary forum threads.

Translations

Note: The files below are updated independently and may not be up to date.

Spanish

Russian (alternate link)

Downloads

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<u>Project Horizons .epub</u> - With thanks to **Scorch_Mechanic**.

<u>Project Horizons LaTeX ebook .pdf</u> - With thanks to **thePowersGang**.

Project Horizons Russian translation .fb2 - With thanks to joltius.

Shujaa's PDF and MOBI Versions (Up to Volume V - Chapter 74, updated 2015-03-09)

Nallar's Fic Collection - A large selection of MLP fanfics, including Project Horizons, in Kindle, .epub, and .txt formats.

Notes

Snipehamster -- 11/3/13 -- Due to internal disagreements, I've resigned from the editing team. Ownership of this document has been passed to Somber.

Snipehamster -- 21/11/12 -- A passage has been added to the tunnel scene in Chapter 39, which should set some ground for the future and clarify the events of that chapter just a little. Apologies for the sporadic chapter releases; real life obligations have eaten into writing and editing time quite substantially.

Snipehamster -- Hub Page Release -- Testing, testing, one two three. This hub page was strongly inspired by the fantastic hub page of Murky Number Seven, by Fuzzy. A story I highly recommend. Also, for those wondering about when, specifically, new chapters of PH are released: each chapter typically takes 1-2 weeks to write. Editing sessions take place during weekends due to timezone conflicts and work schedules (Somber and Hinds live in the US; Bronode and I live in the UK), so new chapters are almost always released on saturdays and sundays.

"Snipehamster is best pony!" -Somber.