Prince Luna and the Space Dreamers

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Chapter 1

Outer space looked so beautiful and peaceful with the millions of twinkling stars that filled the background of the full Moon and the beautiful Earth.

A small space probe from the planet Neileon raced through space and flew toward the Moon from Mars.

The probe was elliptical in shape that was approximately four feet long and two feet thick.

It had four ports at the backend, which were the exhausts for its highly advanced engines. The four engines emitted a purple flame and the probe raced through space.

The probe raced around the Moon then headed toward Earth.

When it reached one thousand miles from Earth, it slowed down.

The probe traveled another one hundred miles.

It stopped and moved around while the sensors in the front of the probe targeted a location on Earth.

It raced off down to Earth and dodged around all the orbiting satellites.

It was the year 2019 down at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida. It had been a year since those two young boys stowed away on a Magellan capsule and saved Earth from the Asteroid that was comprised of collided space junk.

It was dawn and the space center looked quiet while employees started showing up for work.

Up in the sky, ten buzzards circled one hundred feet above the front grassy area of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) headquarters building.

They soared in circles and loved the air currents.

The Neileon space probe raced down out of the sky toward the space center.

That Neileon space probe raced down in between the circling buzzards causing them to tumble downward at the ground. They tumbled and finally regained flight five feet above the ground. The buzzards were relieved.

"What was that?" one buzzard asked while they flew up higher.

"I don't know but it sure was fast," another buzzard responded.

The buzzards flew back to one hundred feet above the ground and circled.

"That thing is heading over to that building over there," another buzzard told his feathered friends.

They watched while the Neileon space probe raced over to the NASA headquarters building.

"That thing is heading to that building over there," another buzzard said.

They all flew over to the headquarters building.

The probe stopped at the middle of the headquarters building. It started to hover quietly by some third floor windows. A beam of yellow light came out of the front of the probe and scanned all the windows of the third floor.

Then a window was of interest and the probe stopped and the yellow beam concentrated at that spot.

The ten buzzards flew down and perched on the roof of the headquarters building. They looked down below at the probe and curiously watched while it scanned the window.

"What's that thing doing?" one buzzard asked.

"Who knows?" another buzzard replied.

"I wonder if we can eat that shiny object?" another buzzard asked.

"If it plops to the ground, we can sure try," another buzzard replied.

The rest of the buzzards nodded in agreement while they looked down at the probe.

Inside that third floor conference room in headquarters were ten nerdy NASA employees who sat at a table. They drank coffee and ate donuts, which was typical for a NASA meeting. They eyed an old NASA employee about seventy-three years old who sat at on end of the table.

A chubby NASA worker to the right of the old employee licked his chops while he eyed a jelly filled donut in the box. He reached over and quickly snatched the donut before anybody else could steal his prize.

"Our deep space probe using our new ion propulsion is ready to find..." the old employee explained to the room but suddenly stopped when jelly squirted out of the fat employees donut and splashed the old employee in his eyes.

The chubby employee turned beet red with embarrassment when he saw what he had done and quickly shoved the rest of the donut into his mouth.

The other workers discreetly chuckled at the sight.

"Sorry," the chubby worker mumbled with a mouth full of jelly donut.

The old employee glared at the chubby worker then wiped the jelly out of his eyes. "Any way, the probe will look for signs of life on other planet in a universe far far away," he addressed the room. He turned around and used a remote to turn on a TV.

On a TV on the wall showed a picture of a universe that was the destination of the probe. The picture then zoomed on the planet Neileon, which resembled Earth.

Inside the space probe, a monitor showed and recorded the NASA employees inside that conference room. And it recorded the TV, which showed Neileon.

"Our space probe will launch in one week on the Delta rocket," the old worker explained then he paused while he looked at his watch. "Speaking of which, the Magellan seven rocket will be launching later this afternoon," the old man said.

The monitor inside the probe went blank.

Outside the Headquarters building, the light from the Neileon space probe turned off.

The probe turned around and zoomed away from the window.

It flew in the direction of the launch pad where the Magellan VII rocket was poised for launch.

"That sure was boring," one buzzard said.

"I can't wait for that thing to drop to the ground, let's go find some food somewhere else," another buzzard replied.

The buzzards all flew off toward the north.

It was the later afternoon on the space coast in the nearby neighborhood of Port St. John.

At a house off Kiscoe Street, lived Touché a white poodle puppy with poodle cut and painted nails French accent. Touché hated the way his female groomed him.

Touché ran out of the backyard all excited and ran past an airboat on a trailer next to the driveway.

He ran to the driveway where a 2010 Toyota Corolla was parked next to a 2011 Ford pickup all jacked up. Touché jumped up on the rear trunk of the Corolla then jumped up to the opened tailgate of the Ford pickup.

Touché crouched down alongside the side of the bed and hid.

The front door of the house opened, and Rod, who used the nickname Scooter, exited. He was a technician at the launch pad in the space center and worked second shift. Scooter rushed out of the house with his lunch box in hand.

Scooter rushed over and got inside his pickup truck. He started it up and backed out of the driveway and did not have a clue Touché was in the bed. This was a standard move for the poodle. Scooter drove his pickup off down the street.

The front door opened again, and Leslie, Scooter's wife, rushed out of the house. She was late for her second shit job at Target in Titusville and rushed over to her Corolla.

This was their standard mode of operation for those two and it made it easier for Touché to hide in the back of Scooter's pickup.

At the launch pad tower on the space center, a wise and old Owl flew over and sat on a steel beam of the tower.

Five feet from the Owl, a camera turned and looked at the bird. The Owl noticed.

"What are you looking at?" the Owl told the camera.

The camera turned and looked at the Magellan rocket.

The Owl looked below and saw the gangway that lead to the capsule. The Owl watched while three Astronauts walked down the gangway to the capsule. They looked so excited about going up into space while they walked into the White Room.

The Owl flew away.

At the NASA security guard gate on SR 405, Scooter drove his pickup to the guard shack. He stopped and flashed his badge.

"Hey Scooter," Tim the security guard said while he walked up to the pickup truck.

"How's the count going, Tim?" Scooter replied.

"Smooth without a hitch," Tim answered.

"Great," Scooter said then drove his pickup away with a wave goodbye out his window.

Meanwhile, over on the bank of a big creek on the space center grounds, five young animals stood and eyed the Magellan rocket poised at the launch pad three miles away. There was Wally, a young alligator, Stinker, a young skunk, Slither, a garden snake who speaks with lisp, Bugsy, a young rabbit and Putty, a young bobcat. They called themselves the "Dreamers" as they dreamed of going into space. But they could not because only humans are Astronauts unless they go up in space to be part of an experiment. But that's no fun, as they longed for an exciting adventure. So they just watched the launches and pretended to be Astronauts saving the universe.

"T-minus nine minutes and holding," a female's voice echoed from the pad speakers.

They all jumped up and down all excited. They linked arms and did a hoedown type of dance on the bank.

"T-minus nine minutes and holding," all the Dreamers repeated while they danced on the bank. They stopped dancing and all of a saddened they looked confused.

"I've always wondered what that meant?" Stinker asked his friends.

The rest of the Dreamers looked at each other to see who had an answer.

"I don't know, but it must be good. Because after they say that, the rocket launches," answered Bugsy.

They all thought about Bugsy's comment then nodded their heads in agreement.

Wally looked around, curious. "Where's Touché?" he asked.

"He better hurry up or he's going to miss all the action," replied Stinker while he looked around the area.

They rest of them nodded their heads in agreement while they looked back at the Magellan rocket.

Up above Earth in outer space, the Neileon space probe ascended up from Earth and split in half.

One half orbited Earth.

The other half flew off in the direction of the Moon.

In the parking lot of the Operations Support Building (OSB) II at the space center, Scooter drove his pickup truck into a parking spot. All the launch pad workers hung out in the OSB II building until it was time to head into the pad to safe it after launch. Scooter liked these days since he could get paid to sit around and goof off.

In the bed of his truck, Touché crouched under the cab window out of view of Scooter.

Scooter got out of his pickup with his lunch box in hand and rushed over to OSB II. He had the craving for a cup of coffee and hopefully he could play cards with some buddies.

Touché peeked up and saw Scooter while he walked to the building. The coast was clear so Touché ran to the tailgate and jumped down out of the pickup.

Touché ran raced thru the parking lot and headed east.

Back at the creek bank, the Dreamers stared at the Magellan anxious for a launch.

"T-minus three minutes and counting," the female's voice echoed from the launch pad's speakers.

The Dreamers inched their necks toward the launch pad.

Meanwhile, Touché ran through the woods all excited about seeing the rocket launch.

On that bank of the creek, the Dreamers stared at the Magellan rocket anxious while Touché entered from the woods behind them. They heard him and turned around.

"Touché!" all the Dreamers called out his name in unison.

Touché immediately grabbed a big leaf off the ground and sat on it next to the Dreamers.

They looked at Touché and laughed while they pointed at his colored nails.

Touché turned beet red and tried to rub the paint off his nails. "I can't help it if my owner does this!" Touché yelled out in his defense.

Then the voice of the female echoed "T minus fifteen, fourteen, thirteen, twelve" from the launch pad speakers.

The Dreamers stopped laughing at Touché then stared at the Magellan rocket all excited.

"Ten, nine, eight, seven, six, five, four, three, two, one," the Dreamers called out along with the female's voice from the speakers.

"Blast off!" they all cried out while they jumped up with excitement as the Magellan rocket blasted off from the launch pad with a loud rumble.

They watched the Magellan rocket in total awe while it ascended into the sky with a fiery smoke trail. The Dreamers craned their necks as they watched the rocket get higher. They fell over backwards as the rocket's path arced higher in the sky over their heads and was soon out of view.

"Let's go," Wally told his friends.

They all nodded in agreement.

Ten minutes later at the space center, Wally swam down another creek with Putty, Touché on a leaf, Stinker and Bugsy all sitting on his back. Slither swam alongside. They were still excited about the rocket launch.

"I wish we could experience zero G!" Bugsy commented.

The rest of the gang nodded in agreement while they swam down the creek. As they swim along, they did not notice four glaring red eyes watching them from the shade under a bush along the bank.

"Yeah, up in space we could frolic!" Touché replied then stood up on Wally's back and twirled on one paw. Touché's twirling rocked Wally in the water and splashed water on Touché who quickly sat down upset. He immediately brushed the water off so he would not go home dirty and get another bath.

Then Derek von Snapper, a big bully gator and a smaller bully gator called Slim, crawled out from under that bush. They discreetly slid into the water and swam after the Dreamers.

"Space travel would so," Bugsy said but was immediately interrupted by Putty when he saw Derek von Snapper who swam along side Wally. Putty was terrified.

"Ah...Wally, it's Derek von Snapper!" Putty cried out in a panic.

Wally and everybody's eyes widen with fear the second they saw Derek von Snapper and Slim.

"Well, well, well. It's those space dreaming dorks," commented Derek von Snapper while he and Slim swam circles around Wally and Slither.

"Why don't you enter my black hole?" said Derek von Snapper then he opened his huge mouth and came after the Dreamers.

"Have an adventure in my tummy!" Slim added then he opened his mouth and swam after the Dreamers, who got scared to death.

From a nearby bank, Wally's father an enormous gator jumped into the water with a splash and furiously swam at the Dreamers.

He rammed Derek von Snapper, who quickly sank. He then rammed Slim who quickly sank.

Derek von Snapper and Slim resurfaced and saw Wally's father who had fire in his eyes.

Derek von Snapper looked mad. "He won't be around all the time!" commented Derek von Snapper while he glared at the Dreamers.

Derek von Snapper and Slim quickly swam away.

"Wally, what am I going to do with you? Quit being afraid to bite and snap! That'll protect you as I cannot be around every single minute of your life," scolded Wally's father.

Wally and the Dreamers looked ashamed of being cowards.

"Yes father," Wally shamefully replied.

Wally's father swam away.

Wally and the Dreamers swam away in the other direction while everybody kept a vigil watch out for Derek von Snapper and Slim.

Later that night at the Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex was quiet and empty.

From the edge of the woods near the rocket garden, the Dreamers poked their heads out from behind some pine trees. They looked at the garden and all the old rockets that were on display. They started to move from those trees, but Bugsy motioned for them to stop when he saw two Guards while they walked past an Apollo capsule with service module on a stand.

The guards walked to a Security car parked nearby and they got inside and drove off.

"Okay we have three hours until the next security sweep," Bugsy told everybody.

The Dreamers raced out of the woods and ran up to an old Apollo capsule poised on that stand.

The stand had steps that lead up to a platform where visitors could view inside the opened hatch. But the hatch was closed at night.

From a nearby pine tree, that wise old Owl watched while the Dreamers ran over to the capsule.

Bugsy climbed up the steps to the capsule and as soon as he got to the platform, he opened the hatch. The rest of the Dreamers ran up the steps and got to the platform. Slither crawled up the steps. Putty stayed down on the ground, nervous.

They all went inside the capsule.

Down at the bottom, Putty placed a paw on the first step. He looked up at the capsule and his legs shook with fear. His legs shook while he cautiously and slowly climbed up a few rungs. Then he quickly backed down and sat on the ground still too scared to make the climb.

Bugsy poked his head out of the capsule and saw Putty down on the ground below. "What's the matter?" asked Bugsy.

Putty looked up at Bugsy. "I...ah...I'll be the ground crew," he answered with a shameful look in his eyes.

Bugsy understood then he closed the capsule door. Putty just sat on the ground and felt ashamed.

Inside the Apollo capsule, Wally, Stinker, Touché and Slither playfully flipped switches, turned knobs then stopped and looked at Bugsy who stood in a seat like he was the commander.

"Engine firing sequence activated," Stinker told Bugsy.

"Final destination locked into the directional guidance," Touché replied.

"Ten, nine, eight, seven, six, five, four, three, two, one," they all simultaneously counted down.

"Blast off!" they all yelled out.

Then Bugsy looked at the capsule windows, which showed twinkling stars and hat the look of a hero.

"Here we come Duke Spacewalker to help you smash those evil aliens and to," Bugsy yelled out.

"Save the universe!" they all yelled out in unison.

Then Touché looked a little confused. "How do we save the universe?" he asked.

"I don't have a clue," answered Bugsy.

All the Dreamers nodded in agreement. Then they stared at a window and looked out at the stars, when suddenly, a Buzzard peeked in the window and scared the Dreamers causing them to jump back. They smashed into the back wall. "Ugly Alien!" they all screamed out in fear.

Outside the Apollo capsule, the Buzzard looked inside the window and his feelings were hurt badly when he heard them call him ugly.

"Have they looked in the mirror lately?" He muttered to himself, and then flew away into the night sky.

Chapter 2

Far far away in another universe, there were five planets that orbited around a different Sun. Most of these planets had numerous moons of various sizes.

The planet Ronrevog housed the Governing Council for all the planets in this beautiful universe and kept the peace.

Amongst those planets existed Neileon. It had seasons similar to Earth and in fact it was a smaller scaled version of Earth but with two continents and one huge ocean.

The Aliens that inhabited this planet were called Neileons and they had human like bodies. But they all had green skin, with blue, purple, or orange colored hair. They were an intelligent and peaceful being. But they were shorter than Earthlings where being five feet was tall on their planet.

The one half of the Neileon space probe that visited Earth raced toward Neileon and descended down to it.

Later on down on Neileon, the space probe raced over mountains, lakes and beautiful exotic plants.

Then it flew over a huge Palace. The probe flew off toward the city of Neileonville the capital of the planet. The city had business, stores, apartment complexes and a river that ran through it. The rest of the planet had smaller villages scattered around the two continents.

The Palace belonged to King Tuna who was the ruler of Neileon. It was nestled in the middle of some woods and was surrounded by grounds full of exotic plants, shrubs and flowers.

The probe flew over and landed in the Neileon Science Complex located on the outskirt of the town Neileonville. From the sky above the Palace, Prince Luna, was a young adult with blue hair, very cute and adorable. He wore blue jeans, a white tee shirt and black leather jacket. He sat on a futuristic looking "Sky Doo" jet ski that he flew it fifty feet in the air.

Sona, his girlfriend, was a beautiful young adult with long flowing purple hair. He wore blue jeans and a shirt with something in the pocket. She grasped a handle at the end of a rope, which led to the backend of the Sky Doo while it flew in the air.

Sona did a loop, flew upside down and made steep banked turns. "Yahoooo!" she screamed and filled the air with her sounds of her fun filled ride in the sky.

Luna continued to fly the Sky Doo around the sky.

Inside the Palace, King Tuna, an old overweight Neileon with long white flowing beard and always wore his crown.

He sat at his desk while he read some paperwork. Then his Holophone bee booped and he pressed a button on it.

A hologram of a nerdy Neileon scientist appeared.

"King Tuna. Our probe just returned from its visit of Earth," the scientist hologram said.

"What did it learn?" King Tuna asked.

"It appears the Earthlings are planning to send a probe to our planet in search of other forms of life," the Scientist hologram stated.

"Well that's interesting," King Tuna said. "Thank you for your report," he added then turned off his Holophone.

King Tuna kicked back and thought about the scientist's report.

On the Palace grounds, Luna flew the Sky Doo down to the ground with Sona trailing behind on the skis. She landed seconds after his Sky Doo landed. Luna shut down the Sky Doo and remained seated in his seat. "You did great a great job of flying this Sky Doo Luna," Sona complimented while she ran over to him.

He got a proud smile while she gave him a hug and kiss on his cheek.

She removed a small wrapped package from her shirt pocket. "Happy Birthday Luna!" she said then handed him the package with a huge smile.

Luna quickly ripped off the wrapping and saw two small "Space Pad – Private Video Holophone" devices that had a small screen. Luna did not know what to make of it. "Ah, thanks Sona," he responded.

She snatched one of the Space Pad's. "We can always stay in close touch," she said while she looked at Luna with love in her eyes. Then she looked like she had something she could not wait to say. "Luna, I can't wait until you become King, so I can be your Queen," she said with love in her eyes.

Luna got nervous and shook a little as marriage scared him to death.

She waited for his response that he wanted her to be his Queen. But a monitor on the Sky Doo console turned on and save him.

On the monitor, King Tuna appeared. "Luna, play time is over. You have thirty minutes to get ready for tonight," King Tuna ordered from the monitor.

Sona looked at the monitor. "Hello King Tuna," she said with a little wave.

He smiled and waved back then the monitor went blank.

Luna did not look thrilled then screams of joy come from up above and diverted his attention away from the monitor.

"Sky-a-bunga Luna!" yelled Lon up about twenty feet above them.

Luna and Sona looked up at the sky and saw four young adult Neileons. They surfed the skies on "Sky

Boards," which resembled Earth surfboards but were advanced and would soar in the air.

Lon had blue hair, Saul with orange hair, Lorge with pink hair and Bingo had neon green hair. They were called "The Surfers" and always wore baggy shirts, sneakers and tee shirts. They just purchased the "Surf the Sky" shop in Neileonville three months ago. They sold and rented sky boards and other accessories, including Sky Doo's.

They surfed down to Luna and Sona.

Their boards hovered inches above the ground near Luna.

"Come on Luna, the clouds are producing awesome currents," Bingo told Luna.

Luna looked up at the sky then at the Surfers. "Sorry, I can't. I have a meeting to attend," Luna answered with a depressed look.

"That's what you get for being a Prince. Let's go dudes!" replied Lorge.

The Surfers got back on their sky boards and pushed off with their right foot. Their boards ascended and they surfed up and away.

The monitor on the Sky Doo console came back on and King Tuna reappeared. "Hurry up boy!" he ordered then the monitor went blank.

Luna looked up at the sky and got depressed as he watched while the Surfers surf through the clouds. He turned back to Sona who eyed him with tender expectation. Luna gave her a nervous smile, as he knew what was on her mind.

"I'll call you later," Luna said then gave her a quick kiss on her cheek.

Sona looked disappointed but she knew down deep he would ask her to be his Queen.

Luna watched while Sona ran over to the edge of the woods where her sky board hovered inched above the

ground. She jumped on her sky board and pushed off with her left foot. She ascended up into the sky and was soon soaring away between the clouds.

Luna turned his Sky Doo back on and hovered it over to the detached garage at the rear of the Palace.

Later that day in Luna's bedroom, Luna got out of his jeans and white tee shirt. He walked over to his closet and removed a fancy one-piece silver suit and to dressed in it. He walked back over to his bed and sat down. He looked depressed.

I don't want to go tonight! He thought to himself while he looked at his sky board that leaned up against the wall.

Later that night at the Neileonville grand auditorium, King Tuna stood at a podium on the stage in front of hundreds of Neileons who waited anxiously.

This same event happened forty years ago when King Tuna was a young adult. And now it was Luna's turn. But Luna looked so depressed about this tradition while he sat by King Tuna's right side. To King Tuna's left side, sat Meena, cousin to Luna.

Meena was short and stout as compared to all the other Neileons. He wore the standard Neileon green military uniform that came with four big stars on each shoulder. He was the General of the Military for Neileon. His father was the General as was his father. But Meena wanted something else as being the General was too boring. He wanted more power.

The audience was on the edge of their seats while they waited for the start of this important tradition. Sona was in the front row and was also on the edge of her seat.

"Welcome fellow Neileons and I would like to thank you for attending this special meeting," he addressed the audience.

They all clapped and followed with a strange seal sound that was standard for these beings.

King Luna waited until the clapping and sounds subsided.

"It has now come time to press on with Neileon tradition. So like my Father, I will retire and Prince Luna will be become King after the initial and final ceremonies have been performed with the Governing Council," King Tuna told the audience who all gave mediocre claps with seal sounds.

Sona was the only Neileon who was loud with her clapping and seal sounds.

In the audience, an old Neileon man leaned over to his old wife and commented, "How can he rule a planet while sky surfing?"

"I know. Luna still acts like a playful teenager," his wife responded.

Most of the surrounding Neileons heard their comments and they nodded in agreement, as they also did not have faith in Luna's ability to lead their planet.

On the stage, Luna sat and looked like he lacked the confidence to become King. Plus he sensed his people did not have faith he could lead them.

Meena sat and looked pissed, as he hated this tradition.

"Now, keeping up with tradition, I will perform one last assignment of which Prince Luna will be required to complete," he told the audience.

They all looked curious.

Luna looked nervous.

"My last assignment will be establishing contact with a planet in another universe. Luna's assignment will be to establish trade relations with that planet," King Tuna said.

The audience looked really curious.

"And the planet I choose will be Earth," King Tuna told everybody.

"Earth?" numerous Neileons said to each other in the audience, as they were a little leery of that planet.

"Yes Earth. Our probe just relayed data that the planet Earth will be sending a probe into space in search of other life. We will contact their probe and let them know that Neileon contains other life forms. Friendly life forms," he told the curious audience.

In the audience, all the Neileons stood up and clapped with their seal sound.

"The initial ceremony has to start in a couple of days here in this auditorium then the final one will follow with Prince Luna in attendance of both," King Tuna addressed the audience.

They all clapped and cheered in their seal sounds.

On the stage, Meena noticed Luna looked nervous so he started to scheme.

Later that night in Luna's bedroom, he stood by a bookcase where his sky board hovered close-by inches above the floor.

He had his new Space Pad birthday device in his hand, while he looked over at his dresser and saw a hologram picture of himself, years younger sitting on King Tuna's knee with Luna wearing the King's crown with a huge proud smile.

On the small Space Pad screen a small hologram of Sona appeared. .

"Luna, I can't wait until you become King," Sona's hologram said

"I can't be King!" he told Sona's hologram.

"Just think, we can visit other planets as King and Queen and spread Neileon goodwill all over different universes," Sona's replied from his Space Pad.

"What am I going to do?" he replied then started pacing around his room upset.

"I'll be a loving and caring queen!" Sona replied and it did not dawn on her that Luna was upset.

"Establish trade with Earth? That's a huge responsibility!" Luna told Sona.

"I wonder what the Earthlings will need help with?" she said.

But Luna did not hear a word Sona said while he paced around the room.

He then paced by a wall that had a hologram of a blueprint drawing for a new water board, which was half the size of a sky board but it skimmed the tops of waves. It was Luna's creation and hoped the Surfers would sell it at their shop.

"I need to sky surf and clear my head Sona!"

"Are you listening to me Luna?" she replied.

Luna did not notice Meena while he stood in the doorway of his bedroom.

Meena had a scheming look on his face, as he heard everything. Meena walked away with a smirk.

Luna turned off his Space Pad and threw it across the room where it landed on his bed next to his black jacket. He grabbed his sky board and left the room.

Ten minutes later, Luna surfed the sky with his sky board while he tried to figure out how he could get out of this Neileon tradition of him becoming King. He was scared too death of this huge responsibility.

Later that evening, Meena sat at his desk inside his office at the Neileon military base. He was in deep thought about what he heard Luna tell Sona. Then he schemed some more with an evil smirk. And the more he schemed his evil smirk grew larger.

Boe, a small and mean looking Neileon soldier, entered Meena's office with a huge "Neileon Law" book under his arm.

Burpy, a chubby soldier who always burps out his words and Dopey, a skinny soldier with a constant droopy stupid look and accent rushed into his office after Bœ.

The three goofs all wore the standard green military uniforms with no stripes. They walked up to Meena's desk, and immediately snapped to attention. "Here's the book you order, General Meena," Boe barked out.

Boe handed Meena the book and he quickly grabbed it. "Get out of my office," he ordered and shooed them away with a hand.

Boe, Burpy and Dopey turned around and they all got tangled up with each other and fell to the floor.

Meena rolled his eyes in displeasure over these goofs while they untangled themselves and quickly left.

He could not stand these goofs but they were loyal and always obeyed his commands without any questions. And they knew how to keep their mouths shut.

Meena opened the law book and scanned through a page. He turned a couple of pages then scanned through another page. Then his eyes lit up and got an evil smirk.

"That's it!" he cried out in joy.

Meena jumped up from his desk with the book.

He danced away from his desk and did a victory dance over to a bizarre looking copier machine. Meena placed the open book on the machine.

"One copy," Meena ordered the machine.

The copier hissed and made a few jingling sounds then a piece of paper shot out of a slot onto a tray. He snatched up the paper and kissed it.

He did a victory dance with the paper as his dancing partner back to his desk.

He looked at his watch. "Oh, I better head to the Palace," he said then rushed to his door.

It was dinnertime at the King's Palace where King Tuna, Luna and Meena sat at the dinning room table. They looked hungry while they waited.

Albie, an old Butler with white hair who wore a tuxedo looking jumpsuit, entered the room. He carried a tray with three plates that contained strange shaped and colored vegetables. He had been the butler at the Palace ever since King Tuna was a young boy. He walked over to the table.

"Just think of the endless possibilities with Earth! You could become more popular as a King than me," King Tuna said to Luna. Then King Tuna looked up at the ceiling, "Your Mother's gonna be so proud of you up in heaven."

Luna looked nervous over King Tuna's comment while Albie set the tray down where it hovered at table height.

Albie grabbed a plate of vegetables and placed it in front of King Tuna.

"King Tuna, trading with Earth is a fantastic idea!" Meena stated with a fake smile while he sucked up.

"Thank you General Meena," King Tuna said then noticed Luna's sad drawn face while Albie placed a plate of vegetables in front of him. "Is there a problem Luna?" King Tuna said with a concerned look.

"No father," Luna lied.

Meena looked at Luna and knew his sad look meant an opportunity for him.

Albie placed a plate of vegetables in front of Meena then he left.

"Okay then, let's eat," King Tuna said.

Meena ate with an evil smirk on his face while he watched Luna pick at his food.

King Tuna ate and still looked concerned about Luna, as he knew something was bugging him and could not figure it out. *Young adults are too moody!* King Tuna thought to himself while he ate.

Luna was quiet during the rest of the dinner.

Later that night in Luna's bedroom, he nervously paced around his room with his Space Pad in hand. He stared at the Space Pad and the small hologram of Sona was visible.

"That's easy for father to say since he's a great King. I don't want to be friends with Earth. They're horrible creatures. They blow thing up and they might eat us! I can't be King. I just can't attend the initial ceremony!" he told on the Space Pad.

"What's wrong Luna? You've talked about being King since you were a lad," Sona answered with a concerned look.

"That was then. But now I really need to delay this for a couple of years!" Luna replied while he looked at his water board design. "Yeah, I need time to get my water board produced and sold," Luna said and that suggestion made him feel better.

At the doorway of Luna's room, Meena stood and watched with an evil smirk. "Hey cuz, I overheard your dilemma. I can help you!"

Luna saw Meena in his doorway and looked curious.

"Luna, are you listening to me?" Sona questioned from the Space Pad.

Luna turned off his Space Pad and tossed it onto his bed.

Meena walked up to Luna who looked curious.

Meena looked around to make sure nobody was nearby. He placed an arm around Luna's shoulder to show he was his friend.

"Here's what needs to be done. I know for sure that the Governing Council on the planet Ronrevog doesn't want any dealing with Earth. In fact, all of the Council members hate the Earthlings as they feel they're warriors that want to destroy our universe," Meena told Luna.

"I didn't know that," Luna said and was really interested in what his cousin had to say.

"Now, if you were to you know, by chance, to fly over to Earth and blow up their so called Delta rocket after it's launched into space," Meena said.

"Why blow up their rocket?" Luna questioned, as that did not make sense.

"Because that will destroy their space probe that they're sending to our planet," Meena said.

"Space probe?" Luna questioned as he forgot what his father stated in the meeting.

"Yeah. Our space probe came back with data from Earth. Data that told us the Earthling's probe will venture to our planet for data for a future attack," Meena lied through his teeth.

"Didn't father know that?" Luna said a little shocked.

"I tried to tell him but he's hung up with believing the Earthlings are a friendly species. But I know they are warriors. Very dangerous warriors," Meena said and looked dead serious.

Luna thought about Meena comment and knew his father could be a little stubborn. "Sounds like father."

Meena looked at the door to make sure nobody was around. He looked back at Luna. "Now, I know for a fact that the Governing Council will grant you a delay on becoming King, as your reward for saving our planet. Because they're also concerned Earth will attack Ronrevog afterwards," Meena added.

Luna's eyes lit up over hearing his proposal but then something seemed wrong. "Won't the Earthlings send up another probe?" he questioned.

"Oh no. Earthlings take a very long time to get a new rocket going," Meena answered.

"I thought you liked father's idea?" Luna asked.

"I had to agree. It's my job as General," Meena answered with his best poker face.

"Won't the Earthlings get mad if I blow up their rocket? And come after me?" Luna asked worried.

"Naw! They're always blowing up things. They'll think it's their fault," Meena replied.

Luna thought about Meena's proposal then smiled, as he loved it. Then he looked a little confused. "Then why are you helping me? And why don't you send out one of your fighter ships?" Luna wondered.

"Because you're going to be my future boss one day and I want you to know that I'll always support and protect you," Meena answered while he extended out his hand. "Plus many Neileons don't feel you're fit to be King, so when you feel the time is right, they'll be accepting you with open arms after they learn you saved our planet," he added.

Luna thought about what he said then nodded in agreement. He held out his hand and they did a seal sound while they slapped their hands together for the traditional Neileon handshake.

They stopped.

"Come to the hangar at the base first thing in the morning. I'll have our fastest ship ready. But for security reasons, this has to be tippy top secret," commented Meena then he winked at Luna, who nodded in agreement.

Later that night in Meena's office, he sat at his desk and read his "Galactic Idiots Guide to Ruling a Universe" book.

Boe, Burpy and Dopey stumbled inside almost tripping over each other while they rushed over to Meena's desk.

They snapped to attention and saluted while they got to his desk. "Boe, Burpy and Dopey reporting as ordered sir," Burpy burped out.

"I have a big promotion opportunity for you three. But it's tippy top secret!" Boe, Burpy and Dopey's eyes lit up with excitement about being promoted.

Chapter 3

It was still morning and still dark in Neileonville.

At the flightline on the military base, the area looked quiet and peaceful.

Two big doors opened up from the hangar where parked inside were ten small sleek silver four seater fighter spaceships all with small side wings each and were supported by three landing struts. The spaceships each had three small but powerful engines, with rectangle nozzles, that would zoom them through outer space at supersonic speeds. Plus each engine had a small fuel tank with special fuel that would get 30 billion miles per gallon. They also had their own markings of "Neileon 1, Neileon 2, Neileon 3, and so on.

A hovercraft that resembled a Jeep hovered up to the hangar with Meena at the controls and Boe, Burpy and Dopey who wore green flight suits in the backseat.

The Jeep stopped and hovered by the opened hangar door.

Boe, Burpy and Dopey jumped out of the Jeep.

"Do you understand your orders?" Meena asked. The three goofs all snapped to attention and saluted. "Yes sir," they all barked back in unison.

"Good, now I want you to take Neileon three. It's fully loaded," Meena told them.

They stood there at attention and Meena got pissed.

"Just don't stand there, move it!" Meena barked out his order.

The three goofs jumped up and ran over to the sleek fighter spaceship inside the hangar.

They got inside Neileon 3 and it started up with a whirl and a whine. Then Neileon 3 lifted up and the three landing struts retracted back inside the ship and it hovered above the hangar floor.

The fighter Neileon 3 hovered out of the hangar.

Neileon 3 hovered down the flightline then the engines whined and whirled louder and light colored purple flames emitted from the engines. Then Neileon 3 flew up into the night sky.

Meena watched from his Jeep while Neileon 3 zoomed away to outer space.

Meanwhile, the Palace was dark as King Tuna and Albie were both sound asleep.

Luna wore his standard jeans, white tee shirt and his black leather jacket while he snuck out of his room. He grabbed his Space Pad and shoved it in his jacket pocket.

He rushed over and grabbed his sky board and ran out of his room.

He snuck around to the backyard and jumped on his sky board and was soon airborne.

He surfed away high into the sky.

Five minutes later, Luna sky surfed over Neileonville, which was dark as everybody was still sound asleep.

Three minutes later, Luna sky surfed over the military base and was soon over the flightline.

Meena watched from his Jeep while Luna sky surfed down and landed by his Jeep. He stepped out of the Jeep and walked up to Luna just as he stepped off his sky board.

"Are you ready for this secret mission?" Meena asked Luna.

"I believe I am," Luna asked still a little unsure if he's doing the right thing and Meena sensed it.

"Luna, Luna. You know that if you don't perform this mission, you'll be King in a short while. If you perform this mission, you can delay it for two more years. Just think of the things you can accomplish in two years," Meena reminded him and followed up with a smile. Luna looked at the fighter ships inside the hangar and noticed one was missing. "You're missing one of the fighters," he said.

Meena looked at the hangar and pondered for a second. "Oh, Neileon three is in the maintenance hanger for it's monthly checkup," he fibbed.

"Oh," Luna replied then looked at the other fighters.

"Take Neileon one. I had her checked out and she's in tip top shape for your flight," Meena said. "And make sure you configure the ship so you won't be detected," Meena added.

"I will," Luna said.

"Good, here's the instructions you need to complete your mission," Meena said while he removed a piece of paper and handed it to Luna.

Luna grabbed the paper then picked up his sky board.

"I'll take your board and bring it back here when you return," Meena said.

Luna handed over his sky board to Meena who placed it in the back of his Jeep.

"You're doing our planet a great service," Meena said then saluted Luna.

Luna saluted back and rushed over to the hangar.

Meena watched with a smirk while Luna got inside Neileon 1.

Meanwhile, up in outer space above Neileon, the fighter Neileon 3 zoomed up from the planet. The engines quieted while the light colored purple flames turned into dark colored purple and it zoomed off toward deep space at supersonic speed.

Back at the hangar on the planet, Neileon 1 started up with a whirl and whine. It rose up and the three landing struts retracted back inside the ship and it hovered above the hangar floor.

Neileon 1 hovered past Meena where from inside, Luna waved at him from the windows. Meena snapped to attention and saluted Luna to give the false impression he cared.

Neileon 1 hovered down the flightline then the engines whined and whirled louder and light colored purple flames emitted from the three engines. Then it flew away.

Meena watched from while Neileon 1 zoomed away to outer space.

Meena grabbed Luna's sky board and walked it behind the hangar. He dropped the sky board and it hovered inches above the ground. He removed a laser pistol and fired at the board. It vaporized.

Meena walked away with a satisfying smile.

Up in space, inside Neileon 1, Luna set the automatic pilot for planet Earth. He reached over on the console and pressed a "Nobody Can Track or Find You" button to insure his mission would remain a secret. Then he pressed the "Get There Quick" button and the engines quieted and it zoomed away at supersonic speed.

He then pressed another button and a hologram map emitted from a small port on the console. The hologram map showed a red dashed line from Neileon, past a brown desert planet called "Deserta," and the line went into a black hole. Then at the other end of the black hole, the red dashed line went past the planets Saturn, Mars, and the Moon and stopped at Earth.

Luna looked at the hologram map and was satisfied that the automatic pilot had his ship on the correct path. So he pressed another button on the console where a hologram of a four shaggy haired Alien rock band, called "The Neatles" appeared. They played rock and roll type of Alien music. The classic song "All You Need Is Peace" played.

Luna looked at the paper of instructions Meena gave him. He kicked his feet up on the console and read them. A few minutes later, he set the instructions down and removed a weird looking harmonica from his jacket pocket. He played along with The Neatles.

Meanwhile way ahead of Luna, Neileon 3 flew past the Deserta planet.

Inside Neileon 1, Luna watched The Neatles while they performed their song and glanced over the instructions again.

Neileon 3 zoomed into the black hole.

Neileon 1 zoomed past the planet Deserta.

Neileon 3 zoomed out of the black hole and zoomed toward Saturn.

Neileon 1 zoomed into the black hole.

Inside Neileon 1, Luna watched from his windows where psychedelic colors were visible while his fighter zoomed through the black hole.

Out in outer space, Neileon 3 zoomed past Saturn.

Neileon 1 flew out of the black hole and zoomed toward Saturn.

Neileon 3 zoomed past Mars.

Neileon 1 headed toward the rings of Saturn.

Inside Neileon 1, Luna pressed another button and a new Alien band called "The Rolling Rocks" started their song, "Jumping Alien Flash."

He reached over and pressed the "Outer Space Position System (OSPS)" button. "You are eight hundred and eighty six million miles from your destination," said the female voice.

Then he looked out his windows and saw the beautiful rings of Saturn while his fighter skimmed over them.

Neileon 3 zoomed past Mars and headed toward Earth.

Neileon 1 zoomed toward Mars.

Neileon 3 zoomed towards the Moon.

Neileon 1 zoomed past Mars.

Neileon 3 slowed down and headed to the Moon.

Back on Neileon inside Sona's bedroom, she just finished her morning shower and got dressed for the day. She grabbed her Space Pad off her dresser and turned it on.

"Good Morning Luna," she said while she held her Space Pad in her hand.

She waited for a hologram of Luna to appear. It did not as Luna had his Space Pad turned off for his secret mission.

Back in outer space, Neileon 3 descended down to the surface of the Moon. It stopped twenty feet above the surface then the three landing struts extended out of out of the ship and it slowly settled down to the rocky surface.

Inside Neileon 3, Boe, Burpy and Dopey looked out their windows and stared up into space.

Then Boe pressed a button on the console.

Back on Neileon, Meena sat at his desk and waited anxiously inside his office. Then his Holophone from his desk turned on all by itself and a hologram of Boe, Burpy and Dopey inside Neileon 3 appeared.

"General, we're at the Earth's moon and waiting for sight of Luna," Boe's hologram stated.

Back inside Neileon 3, Boe, Burpy and Dopey watched a hologram of Meena inside his office that emitted from the console Holophone.

"Good job and he's on his way. Keep me informed when you complete your mission," Meena's hologram stated then it disappeared.

The goofs looked proud of themselves that this could be the first time they have successfully completed a mission.

They continued to stare out their windows and then saw Neileon 1 while it zoomed past the Moon and headed toward Earth. Inside Neileon 1, Luna dozed off while the Alien band "The Rolling Rocks" finished their third song.

"You are two hundred, thirty eight thousand and eight hundred and fifty seven miles from your destination," the female voice said from the OSPS.

That woke Luna up and he looked out his windows and saw Earth up ahead. He got a little nervous, as he knew his mission would start up soon.

From the surface of the Moon, the engines of Neileon 3 whined and whirled louder then it rose above the surface. When it got twenty feet upward, the landing struts retracted back inside the ship and it zoomed up into space.

Neileon 1 raced to Earth at a slower speed.

It stopped and hovered in space with America visible down below.

Then one hundred thousand miles behind Luna, Neileon 3 hovered in space to keep a secret distance.

Inside Neileon 1, Luna pressed a "Spy On Them" button on the console. A monitor turned on and showed America's Delta rocket poised at the launch pad at the Kennedy Space Center.

He watched the monitor while the Delta's engines fired and it lifted off the pad.

Luna smiled and pressed the "Activate Weapons" button and grabbed the weapons joystick and watched out his window ready for the Delta rocket to ascend into space.

Kaboom! A bright red flash illuminated Luna's window and his spaceship violently shook. Luna's looked around worried then quickly checked the console.

Neileon 3 fired another laser beam at Neileon 1.

Kaboom! Smoke poured out of the console of Neileon. Then a loud irritating squeal sound caused Luna to cover his ears. He quickly pressed some buttons on the console and the squeal stopped. Luna quickly pressed the Holophone button then a hologram of static TV snow emitted from the console.

"Father! Help! The Earthlings are firing at me!" Luna screamed at the Holophone scared to death. "Father?" Luna looked scared to death as the hologram that still showed static snow.

Kaboom! Luna's spaceship violently shook with alarms and sirens blaring.

Neileon 1 rolled uncontrollably, sending Luna out of his seat and he slammed into the console. Luna fought to get back at the controls and another jolt of the laser beam caused him to slam headfirst into the console where he passed out.

In outer space, Neileon 1, with one side wing missing and a burnt rear compartment with two engines destroyed, flew wildly down to Earth toward America. It just missed the Delta rocket, by inches while it ascended up to space.

The Delta rocket continued to ascend into space.

Then the two Delta boosters at the bottom fell off and tumbled down to Earth.

The Delta's front fairings opened up and fell down to Earth.

The NASA space probe fired its engine and raced off in the direction of Neileon 3.

Inside Neileon 3, Boe, Burpy and Dopey sat at the controls and watched while Neileon 1 tumbled widely down to Earth. They all got very excited. Boe pressed a button on the console. Burpy clapped and burped.

"Send a report to General Meena, Dopey," Boe ordered Dopey who replied with a salute.

Back on Neileon in Meena's office, he sat behind his desk and stared at his Holophone for an update.

Then his Holophone turned on and a hologram of Boe, Burpy and Dopey appeared of them inside Neileon 3.

"Duh...Mission a success...duh...Earth probe is on its way and...duh...Neileon one was disabled and...duh...it is tumbling down to Earth," Dopey's hologram said.

Meena got a huge satisfied grin on his face. "Great job! Come home," he said, then pressed a button on the Holophone and the hologram disappeared.

He got up from his desk and performed a goofy victory dance around his office.

Inside Neileon 3, Boe, Burpy and Dopey did a goofy victory dance around their spaceship.

They looked at the windows and saw that the Earth probe was coming straight at them. They freaked out and screamed an ear piercing Alien scream.

Burpy and Dopey dove at the controls.

Boe looked sad, as he knew trouble is brewing.

In outer space, their spaceship flew wildly to the Moon and missed the Delta's space probe by inches.

Inside Neileon 3, Boe, Burpy and Dopey got tossed around while it rolled uncontrollably. They fought to get at the controls.

In outer space, the Earth probe flew off toward the Moon. The other half of the Neileon space probe, which previously hung around Earth's orbit, zoomed up from behind then flew over the top of the Earth probe. A small door opened on the Neileon probe and a rod with a suction cup at the end shot out and attached to the Earth probe. The Neileon probe flew the Earth probe away toward the Moon.

Inside Neileon 3, it still rolled uncontrollably. Boe, Burpy and Dopey still fought to get to the controls while being tossed around. Boe was finally able to grab the control stick. He moved it around and pressed a bunch of buttons.

The spaceship quit rolling and got upright. Burpy and Dopey fell from the ceiling and slammed into the floor with a loud thud.

Boe pressed some more buttons and the engines whined and whirled louder and jumped into supersonic speed and zoomed toward the Moon. Neileon 1 tumbled down toward the State of Florida.

Chapter 4

Back on Neileon in Sona's bedroom, she sat on her bed looking concerned at her Space Pad.

"Luna. Are you there?" she spoke into her Space Pad.

Luna's hologram did not appear on her Space Pad.

"Please come in Luna!" she pleaded into her Space Pad. But Luna's hologram still did not appear on her Space Pad so she turned it off.

Then a bee boop was heard from her bedside table, where a Hologram emitted from her Holophone.

A hologram of Sona Senior appeared. She was Sona's mother and had purple hair with white streaks. "What are you doing Sona?" asked Sona Sr.

"Oh please Mom! I'm not a kid anymore, you don't need to always check up on me," Sona replied.

"It's my job," Sona Sr. responded with a motherly tone.

"If you must pry, I'm okay and getting ready for bed. So you and Daddy have a great time on your space cruise. See you in a couple of weeks," Sona replied then blew her mother hologram a kiss. Her mother's hologram quickly responded with a kiss in return.

Sona turned off her Holophone and got in bed worried about Luna not responding from her Space Pad.

Meanwhile, back on Earth, it was nighttime and the space center looked so peaceful and quiet, while Wally, Slither, Stinker and Putty lay on the ground asleep. They were exhausted from watching the Delta rocket launch and fell fast asleep as soon as they lay on the ground. Touché snuck back in Scooter's pickup and was on his way home. Bugsy was home in his hole with his grandfather.

Inside of Neileon 1, Luna was still out cold while his ship tumbled down toward central Florida.

Luna became conscious and looked out his windows and saw the ground coming up fast. He frantically got back to his controls. He flipped switches, turned knobs, pushed buttons and moved his control stick around. Then the tumbling slowed down and after some more control stick maneuvering, the tumbling eventually stopped.

Luna looked relieved but then noticed he was heading straight at the ground. He quickly pushed the buttons for the smaller thruster engines.

Above the space center grounds, Neileon 1 slowed down but not enough to where it landed hard on the ground then bounced back up in the air and landed and slammed into an area full of muck that was thick with scrub brushes. Half of the front end of Neileon 1 sunk into the muck. Since the area was thick with vegetation, the branches of scrub brushes, pine trees and other vegetation covered most of the ship from view in the air. It got quiet again.

Not too far from the scene, Wally, Slither, Stinker and Putty sat up wide awake and they looked around scared over the noise of the crash of Neileon 1, but didn't see anything.

"What was that?" Stinker asked.

"I hope that wasn't Derek von Snapper!" Putty quietly said while he nervously looked around.

They all lay back down and tried to go back to sleep but kept one eye opened for protection.

Not too far away, Bugsy stood out of his hole that led down to his home. He looked in the direction of the noise he also felt under ground. It was quiet and so he went back down into his home.

Inside Neileon 1, Luna was slumped over the console out cold. His Space Pad beeped from his jacket as during all the tumbling, it turned on.

"Speak to me Luna!" cried Sona from his Space Pad.

Luna stayed out cold. Then his Space Pad beeped off.

Then a Huey helicopter was heard outside above the ship.

Inside the Huey helicopter, two NASA Chopper Pilots, Rodney and Jake, sat at the controls and looked out their windows. A searchlight illuminated the ground below and they only saw trees, scrub brushes and other vegetation while they hovered.

"What do you think it was?" Jake asked Rodney.

Rodney pondered for a second while he looked down below. "I'm thinking a meteorite, which probably buried itself in the muck."

"Probably. Let's go back to the landing site. I want some more coffee," Jake responded.

Rodney pushed forward on the cyclic control and their Huey flew away.

Meanwhile, way off in outer space, Neileon 3 flew back into the black hole by Saturn.

Back on Neileon at the King's Palace grounds, King Tuna searched the grounds over and was visibility very upset and worried.

"Luna! Where are you Luna!" he yelled out then looked up at the sky to see if he was sky surfing as he could not find his board in his bedroom. The sky was clear.

King Tuna looked in the direction of the garage. He got an idea and rushed over to it.

King Tuna went inside the garage and saw Luna's Sky Doo parked inside. He left the garage worried about Luna as his instincts told him something was not right. He left.

Outside the garage, King Tuna removed a smaller version of the Space Pad and pressed a button. "General Meena, come to the Palace immediately. I'll meet you in the grounds by the garage," King Tuna said into his Space Pad. He waited.

Ten minutes later, a small two seater spaceship descended out of the sky and landed twenty feet from King Tuna.

The spaceship door opened and Meena got out.

He rushed over to King Tuna who looked worried.

"You wanted to see me?" Meena said.

"Yes Meena, I can't find Luna. He wasn't in his bed and it looked like he didn't sleep in it. His sky board is gone but his Sky Doo is still here. Therefore, I want you to send out some troops to find him. Today is the day where he has to sign some paperwork for his Kingdom," King Tuna said.

Meena snapped to attention and saluted. "Yes sir. I'll put that order in effect immediately," then Meena rushed back to his spaceship.

"You know, if you find Sona, you'll find Luna," King Tuna yelled at Meena just as he stepped inside his spaceship.

Meena cringed as he forgot about Sona. "Yes sir," Meena called back then got inside his spaceship and closed the door.

King Tuna watched while Meena's spaceship ascended then took off and flew back to the military base.

King Tuna walked back to the Palace worried to death about the whereabouts of Luna.

Back on Earth inside Neileon 1, Luna was on the floor of his ship. He stirred and became conscious. He looked around his ship dazed and scared.

He got up and turned a few knobs on the console.

"Father? Can you hear me father? I need help!" he talked into a microphone. Nothing but silence then he realized the communications portion of his console was dead. He looked at the door and got curious and slowly walked over to it.

He opened the capsule door and peeked outside.

He saw nothing but thick scrub brush and other vegetation. He got scared and closed the door but it did not close all the way. He rushed over to the console and sat on the floor. He remembered something and reached inside his jacket pocket and removed his Space Pad and turned it on.

"Sona! Please come in Sona!" he said into the Space Pad but the monitor remained blank and Sona's hologram did not appear. Luna shoved it back into his jacket pocket.

"Why did I try this stupid mission?" he said while he looked around his spaceship scared to death.

It was now morning across Florida.

Over in the northern area of the space center, Scooter drove his pickup truck into the parking lot of the Support Building at Launch Complex 39C.

This was a brand new launch pad built just for the Magellan rocket.

He parked his truck and got out with his lunch box in hand. He walked to the entrance of the building.

Then from the bed of his pickup, Touché poked his head up and saw the coast was clear. He jumped out of the bed and ran to some nearby scrub brushes.

Not too far from the building, Putty, Stinker, Slither, Wally and Bugsy relaxed in a clearing between some scrub bushes. This was their normal meeting place for the start of they day.

Touché ran through some bushes and into the clearing. He stopped and waited to catch his breath. He looked at his friends all excited.

"Guess what I heard on TV last night?" he said excitedly.

"What?" Bugsy asked curious.

"A meteorite hit the space center during the night," he said.

All the Dreamers looked excited.

"Are you sure Touché?" Bugsy asked.

"I am. I saw it on the Channel Nine news last night. The TV man said a meteorite fell to the space center from another planet. And the TV knows everything," Touché answered.

"That must have been that noise that woke us up night," Wally said.

"It would be so cool to see something straight from outer space!" Putty added with a smile.

"Just think, this could be part of another planet," Slither added.

Everybody else nodded in agreement.

"Let's go find it!" Bugsy suggested.

"Yeah. Let's find this meteorite!" Stinker called out.

They all walked off like they were going on a hunt.

After twenty minutes of searching the grounds, they walked close to a creek bank when Touché's ears perk up and he immediately held out his paw. "Freeze!" Touché ordered.

They all jumped behind a Palmetto bush and stared at the creek bank.

"We're bound to run into them," said Derek von Snapper to Slim while they swam side by side in the creek.

"I can't wait. I'm starving!" Slim replied.

The Dreamers watched while Derek von Snapper and Slim swam down the creek and were not longer a threat.

Five minutes had passed.

They swallowed hard with relief when the coast was clear of danger.

Wally got in the creek and the Dreamers jumped on his back. Slither slithered into the water.

Wally swam down the creek in the opposite direction of Derek von Snapper and Slim.

Wally swam for ten minutes when he stopped and slowly walked up on the creek back with his friends still on his back. They jumped off. Slither went up the bank.

"That noise came over from this direction," Bugsy pointed.

The Dreamers walked in the direction Bugsy pointed.

Fifteen minutes later, they walked upon the rear part of Neileon 1 stuck in the muck.

They stopped in awe at what they saw. The Dreamers cautiously walked up to Neileon 1 and checked it out. Slither slithered over and joined them.

"It doesn't look like a meteorite," Stinker said.

"You're right," Slither added.

"You know something, it sorta looks like a spaceship," replied Putty.

All the Dreamers looked at Neileon 1 in awe.

Bugsy's eyes lit up with excitement. "Duke Spacewalker! Maybe Duke Spacewalker is inside and needs our help," he cried out.

Duke Spacewalker was a movie character, for the series of movies called "Wars In Space," that Touché saw on TV. Touché would tell the Dreamers about the space adventures Duke Spacewalker encountered. He even snuck out a poster and gave it to Bugsy on his recent birthday. They all believed Duke really existed, as they believed the TV always told the truth.

Bugsy walked over to Neileon 1 and saw a door.

"Mister Spacewalker. Are you home?" Bugsy said while he knocked on the door.

Inside Neileon 1, Luna shook in fear.

"Hello Mister Spacewalker," Bugsy said from outside the ship while he knocked on the door again. Outside Neileon 1, the door opened from the knocking.

Bugsy looked at it and got brave. "I'm going inside," he told his friends.

"I don't know if that's a good idea," Putty said a little scared.

Bugsy cautiously stepped a paw inside Neileon 1. "I' still going in. Duke might need our help," he said and looked brave.

Inside Neileon 1, Luna cowered by the console and shivered with fright over the sound of Bugsy outside.

Bugsy stepped inside the ship. "Is that you Duke Spacewalker?" Bugsy asked Luna the second he saw him.

Luna saw Bugsy and screamed out, "Earthlings!" Luna's eyes crossed and he passed out and fell over to the floor.

"Hey guys, I think Duke Spacewalker is hurt," Bugsy called out.

After a few minutes, Wally cautiously entered Neileon 1 along with Touché, Putty and Stinker on his back. Slither slithered in after them.

They all looked at Luna who lay on the floor passed out.

Chapter 5

Luna became conscious and rolled over on his back. He looked up to find the entire Dreamers curiously staring down at him. Except for Slither who was eye to eye with Luna.

Luna screamed an Alien sound, which caused the Dreamers to scream along in sympathy with him. They all stop screaming.

Luna quickly sat up and cowered up against the console scared. "Please don't eat me!" he pleaded for his life.

"Mister Spacewalker, we come in peace! We won't eat you as we don't eat meat. I promise!" Bugsy said in a peaceful tone.

"Not me, I eat bugs," Slither added.

"I'm Bugsy and these are my friends Wally, Stinker, Putty, Touché and Slither. We are called the Dreamers," he said while he introduced all his friends.

Putty, Touché, and Stinker waved at Luna with their paws. Wally waved his tail and Slither just rocked his head for their greetings.

Luna suddenly had the instinct that they were friendly and felt safer. "My name is Luna," he said.

Bugsy looked surprised. "You're not Duke Spacewalker?" Bugsy asked.

"No," Luna replied.

"You speak English!" Stinker commented.

"Doesn't everybody?" Luna replied.

"No," Wally answered.

"Do you know Duke Spacewalker? He's a space knight!" asked Putty.

"Sorry, I never heard of a Duke Spacewalker," Luna replied.

All the Dreamers looked disappointed with his response.

"Where do you come from?" Touché asked. Their eyes lit up with anticipation of his answer. "I'm from the planet Neileon," Luna responded. "Wow! He's from another planet!" Slither said. "An Alien. How cool!" Putty added.

"What happened to cause you to crash here?" Wally asked.

"You Earthlings shot me down," answered Luna.

The Dreamers looked baffled. "We did? I wonder why?" Stinker questioned.

"I guess you found out I was going to shoot down your Delta rocket," Luna explained.

"That belongs to the humans and not us. We don't have any rockets," Bugsy said.

"Why did you want to shoot it down?" Stinker asked

"It's a long story," Luna told the Dreamers who look interested in hearing it.

"Well, we have plenty of time to listen," Wally said. Luna's stomach growled.

Bugsy looked at Putty and Stinker. "Go get some food," he said.

"Wait to start the story when we get back," Putty said.

"I will," Luna replied.

Putty and Stinker rushed out of the ship.

"Let's go outside and we can show you our home," Bugsy offered.

"I would love to see Earth," Luna said then stood up.

They all walked to the door and went outside.

Ten minutes later, the Dreamers and Luna sat on the ground outside his spaceship. They anxiously waited to hear his story.

Putty and Stinker walked up with a bunch of oranges they picked from some nearby orange trees. They dropped them down on the ground.

Luna looked suspicious of the oranges and Bugsy noticed.

"These are called oranges and taste good," Bugsy said while he grabbed an orange. He peeled it with his teeth then took a bite of orange.

Luna grabbed an orange and looked at it. He bit into it and the taste of the orange peel made his face cringe with displeasure.

"You don't eat the peel. You eat what's inside," Putty said while he at his peeled orange.

Luna looked at the orange and decided to use something else. He peeled his orange with his fingers then took a bite. "Mmmm! This tastes good!" Luna said then took another bite.

Wally walked up and grabbed an orange with his mouth and swallowed it whole.

Slither saw a bug on the ground and slithered over and snatched it up with his forked tongue.

After all the oranges were eaten, the Dreamers looked at Luna in anticipation of hearing his story. Luna sensed they were ready.

"Well, it first started the other day when my father King Tuna."

"You're a Prince?" Bugsy said and interrupted Luna. "Yes," Luna replied.

All the Dreamers looked extremely impressed.

"Anyway, we're at a ceremony in our town called Neileonville and father told everybody that he would retire and I would become King," Luna said then he looked sad. "But I don't want to become King," he added.

"Why wouldn't you want to be King?" Bugsy asked.

"I thought a Prince was a King in training?" Putty commented. Luna thought about Putty's comment while Putty puffed out his chest. "If I were the King of the Forrreeest," Putty sang to the Wizard of Oz tune.

Wally slapped Putty's head with his tail and spun his head around.

"You're the product of too much TV," Wally said.

Putty's head stopped spinning and looked dazed then he saw his reflection in the spaceship. "I thought I saw a putty cat...I did...I did see a putty cat," said Putty, then he snapped out of his daze and looked at Wally, "No I'm not."

Sona's voice was heard from Luna's Space Pad inside his jacket pocket. "Luna! Where are you?"

The Dreamers looked around and wondered where that female voice came from.

"Luna! Speak to me! Please!" Sona cried from his Space Pad.

Luna removed his Space Pad his pocket and pressed a button and the monitor comes on and Sona's hologram appeared.

The Dreamers got extremely curious and walked over and checked out Luna's Space Pad thinking it was cool.

"Where are you? I've been calling and calling," asked Sona's hologram.

Luna looked at his Space Pad, "The Earthlings shot me down."

Sona's face looked shocked then confused. "Earthlings? What are you talking about?"

"Well, I took one of our fighters and flew to Earth," he told Sona's hologram.

"Why?" her hologram asked.

"Because General Meena told me that if I flew to Earth and shot down the Earthlings Delta rocket, the Governing Council will reward me by delaying the start of my Kingdom. But I didn't anticipate the Earthlings shooting me down," he said. The Dreamers inched closer to his Space Pad with extreme interest.

Back on Neileon inside Sona's bedroom, she sat on her bed upset while she looked at her Space Pad, which showed a hologram of Luna.

"You're talking crazy Luna. You can't be on Earth and I can't understand why you're scared to be King," Sona scolded him.

Luna's hologram looked ashamed of himself from her Space Pad. Then the hologram heads of Bugsy, Putty, Touché, Stinker, Slither and Wally peeked into view behind Luna's hologram. They all looked curious. Sona saw them. Her eyes widen with fear. She screamed. Her eyes crossed and she fainted and fell back on her bed with her Space Pad still in her hand.

Back on Earth at Neileon 1, Luna looked at his Space Pad and couldn't see her. He only saw the hologram of her bedroom. "Sona? You okay?" Luna asked into his Space Pad.

The Dreamers stepped away concerned about what they just saw.

Then on his Space Pad, Meena's hologram suddenly appeared.

"Luna! I see you survived being shot down. I'm surprised," Meena said.

"Meena, you need to send a rescue ship after me," Luna said then it hit him like a ton of bricks. "How did you know I was shot down?"

"Well Luna, you don't want to be King, so I got rid of you," Meena answered.

"I want to be King, but not right now," Luna replied then he thought about something Meena said. "Wait you said you got rid of me? Why? How?" Luna questioned.

"I had one of my fighters follow you and they took you down," Meena said. "And now that you won't be able to show up at the ceremonies, I get the crown by default! And I'm not afraid to be King and implement my plans," Meena told Luna.

Luna looked concerned. "Your plans, what plans?"

"I guess it won't hurt to tell you since you're gone forever. First I'm going to take over Earth. Then I'll use the Earthlings as slaves to make my weapons of mass destructions," Meena bragged.

Back on Neileon in Sona's bedroom, Meena looked at the Space Pad and saw Luna looking shocked. Then Wally, Bugsy, Stinker, Touché, Putty's hologram heads poked back into view behind Luna and they looked scared.

Meena cringed with displeasure at the sight of them.

"Second. I think I'll use those ugly creatures, like what I just saw, to test my new weapons. Maybe have a big barbecue, with them as the meal, to celebrate our victory over taking Earth," Meena said then he thought for a few seconds.

He paced around the room while he looked at the hologram of Luna and the Dreamers.

"You know something, I've always wanted to try Earth meat," Meena added then licked his lips indicating it might be delicious. "And finally, I'll use selected crooked Earth leaders as my deputies. I know they will help me use my new weapons to take over other planets. I'll be King of the universe!" Meena called out and then got an evil smirk on his face.

Back on Earth at Neileon 1, the Dreamers nervously stepped away from Luna's Space Pad.

"My owner named Scooter had a barbecue and he got that sticky sauce on me. Then Leslie gave me a bath," Touché told everybody and that made them even more nervous.

"That wasn't Father's intention and when he finds out, he'll stop you!" Luna yelled at Meena's hologram

"Ah, he won't be a problem. Trust me!" Meena replied.

"You can't do this Meena!" Luna yelled again at Meena.

"Ahhhh!" Sona screamed from Luna's Space Pad. "Sona!" Luna cried out.

"Don't worry about her. She's going to be my beautiful Queen. Good bye until the invasion and I hope you find some good cover!" Meena boasted from Sona's Space Pad.

Luna heard Sona scream from his Space Pad and saw her Space Pad drop to the floor. Then his screen went blank.

Back on Neileon in Sona's bedroom, Meena smashed her Space Pad into the floor.

Boe and Dopey had a grip on Sona's arms. She was scared to death.

"Keep my future sweet Queen under lock and key!" Meena ordered Boe and Dopey.

He walked up to Sona with puckered lips. Sona closed her eyes and looked sickened at the thought of his lips touching her. Then she could not stand that thought anymore and she barfed pink vomit all over Meena just as he got to her.

Boe and Dopey quickly stepped away as pink vomit dripped off Meena's uniform.

Meena got mad yet Sona looked satisfied.

Back on Earth at Neileon 1, Luna looked upset at his Space Pad.

"This thing is now useless," Luna stated and he threw it in the air.

Derek von Snapper von Snapper and Slim slept on a nearby creek bank.

Derek von Snapper yawned just in the nick of time as Luna's Space Pad flew in his mouth. Derek von Snapper's eyes widened and he instinctively swallowed it then got a sour look on his face. "What a nasty tasting bug," he commented then closed his eyes and burped. Luna paced by Neileon 1 visibly upset. "What have I done? I always mess things up!" Luna muttered out loud while he paced.

He paced around in a circle while running his hands through his hair.

The Dreamers started pacing in sync behind Luna.

Luna stopped then looked up at the blue sky worried. He thought for a second and suddenly felt brave. "I can't let Meena get away with this. I may not make a great King, but I'll be better than him!"

Luna paced with the Dreamers hot on his tail.

Luna stopped and the Dreamers stopped. "What's Meena going to do with father?" Luna said. "He can't do anything until the final ceremony, so there's still time!" Luna looked at Neileon 1 then got depressed while he sat down on the ground.

The Dreamers sat down depressed by Luna.

"I can't get home! What am I going to do?" Luna said and looked like he was going to cry.

Way up on a branch in a nearby tree, that old Owl looked down at Neileon 1 and at everybody. He rubbed his beak with a wing while he pondered a solution.

Then is eyes lit up. "Does any of your engines still work?" he asked Luna down below.

Luna and the Dreamers heard the old Owl and looked up at the pine tree and saw him perched on that tree branch.

"I said, see if any of your engines still work," the Owl repeated.

"Why?" Luna answered.

"Trust me," the Owl responded.

Luna looked at Neileon 1. He looked back at the Owl who pointed to Neileon 1.

Luna walked over and opened the door to his spaceship. He went inside.

The Dreamers quickly moved away to a safe distance.

Inside Neileon 1, Luna rushed over to the console and pressed buttons, flipped switches and turned knobs. The console powered up. He pressed the "Engine Start" button.

Outside Neileon 1, the Dreamers waited in anticipation of seeing the rocket ship fire.

Whine! Varoom! A light colored purple flame shot out of the engine at the bottom of the spaceship while the other two sputtered and gurgled. Neileon 1 sunk a little farther into the muck.

The Dreamers jumped up and down with joy.

The purple flame extinguished and the engine whined down.

Luna walked out and walked around his spacecraft and saw all the damage.

"It's no use," said Luna with a concerned look then sat down on the ground.

"Why?" Putty asked.

"I need three engines to get back home and besides, the exterior is severely damaged."

From the pine tree, the Owl rubbed his beak with a wing while he pondered a solution. Then his eyes lit up with another great idea. "I got it! Why not remove the engine that works and install it on that old Apollo capsule at the visitors center?" said the Owl.

Luna thought about the Owl's comment.

The Dreamers all nodded indicating they thought it was a great idea.

"That will work," Luna said then looked around the area. "But we'll need something to haul the engine over to the capsule."

They all pondered a solution, then an airboat was heard off in the distance.

Touché eyes widen with an idea. "An air boat!" Touché yelled out.

The rest of the Dreamers thought about his suggestion and they all nodded in agreement. Then they all ran in the direction of the airboat.

Luna looked lost with their comment then ran after them for see an airboat.

Chapter 6

The Dreamers and Luna ran around Palmetto, pine trees and scrub bushes. The Owl flew above the trees and followed.

Touché stopped at a Palmetto bush and listened. The Owl landed on a nearby pine tree.

"Be very, very, quiet," he said softly with hint of an Elmer Fudd accent.

They all peeked through the Palmetto bush and saw two rednecks, Lester and Tater, who both wore "Bubba and the Pot Belly Boys" country music ban tee shirts and baseball caps.

Lester and Tater sat on nearby bank of a pond casting their fishing lines into the water. Six feet away on the water bank was their airboat "Lil Darlin."

Tater gulped a beer and smashed the can on his forehead then burped. "That's burp-a-licious Tater!"

They all high-fived each other to celebrate a good burp.

Back at the Palmetto bush, Touché looked at everybody.

"I'm thinking we can drive it over to the visitors center with his rocket engine," Touché commented.

"We're not humans. We don't know how to drive one of those contraptions," Bugsy said.

"I've seen my human operate his airboat. It's a piece of cake. After all, look at those two goofs," Touché said.

They all looked at Lester and Tater through the Palmetto bush and saw them lift up a butt cheek and both farted.

"You're right," Bugsy said.

"But how do we get the air boat away from those two?" Wally asked.

They all thought for a second.

"He's right. We need to get them away from that thing you call an airboat so we can take it," Luna said.

The Dreamers all nodded in agreement then they thought out a plan.

Stinker saw a caterpillar in the dirt a few feet away. He had an idea and reached down and picked up the insect. "We put this in their pants of those rednecks," he offered while he held up the caterpillar.

The caterpillar looked at Stinker and got scared.

"Please sir, don't do that. Please don't drop me into that abyss of stink!" the caterpillar pleaded at Stinker.

Bugsy looked at the caterpillar. "No, we need more," he said.

Stinker put the caterpillar down, who quickly scampered away for safety.

Then Bugsy saw a huge pile of Fire Ants about six feet way. He got an evil thought. He rushed over to a bush and picked up a big leaf.

He rushed over to the pile of and scooped up tons of Fire Ants with the leaf.

"Hey, put us down!" all the Fire Ants cried in chorus at Bugsy.

Bugsy cautiously and quietly walked over to Lester and Tater where their butt cracks were now showing and that made this so much easier.

He dropped some Ants into the back of Tater's pants and down his butt crack then reached over and dropped the rest of the Ants into the rear of Lester's pants and down his butt crack.

He ran back to everybody. They all watched with anticipation. Then Lester and Tater quickly jumped up and danced around smacking their backsides.

They ran into the water up to their waist and plopped their butts down and splashed around. They went under the water. The Dreamers ran to the airboat. Stinker and Putty pushed on the hull and the airboat floated into the water.

They all jumped on.

Touché jumped in the seat. He turned the ignition key and started the engine. He grabbed the controls. "Bugsy, push on that pedal below me so we can go," Touché ordered.

Bugsy jumped on the accelerator pedal. Whoosh! The airboat made a sharp turn and sprayed Lester and Tater the second they surfaced out of the water.

They looked confused as to what sprayed them.

Then Lester noticed their airboat while it raced away down the pond.

Tater ran into the pond with open arms after his airboat. "Darlin, come back!" he cried out while his eyes welled up. Then he ran into a deep hole in the pond and went completely under the water.

Lester stood waist deep in the pond and scratched his head while he tried to figure out how Tater's airboat took off all by itself.

Lil Darlin raced down the pond and racing at that speed had the Dreamers holding on for dear life. The force was also so great that it flung Slither to the legs of the drivers seat and he wrapped around a leg.

Touché made a sharp right turn down another creek with everybody hanging on scared to death.

Touché frantically moved the control stick around. The airboat swerved to the right then to the left.

It ran along a bank where numerous tree branches whacked the Dreamers. Half of them had leaves and small branches in their mouths while Lil Darlin raced down the creek. They spit them out.

Then a bug flew into Touché's open mouth. His eyes widen with shock and accidently swallowed the bug. "Mmmm! Not too bad!" he comments with a smile.

Lil Darlin continued to race widely down the creek.

Derek von Snapper and Slim swam down another creek and scanned the area over.

"They have to be here somewhere!" Slim told Derek von Snapper.

"Don't worry, we'll find them," Derek von Snapper replied while they swam down the creek.

Varoom! Swish! Lil Darlin raced past Derek von Snapper and Slim and the wake sent them crashing to a nearby bank.

Lil Darlin raced widely away down the creek.

Derek von Snapper and Slim lay upside down on the bank confused and dazed as to what just happened. They quickly got upright and looked around. They saw nothing.

"What was that?" Derek von Snapper asked.

Slim shook his head to come to his senses. "I don't know."

They started to get back in the water, but were too skittish.

"I'm tired. Let's take a nap," Derek von Snapper said.

Slim nodded in agreement and they lay on the bank.

Ten minutes later, the Lil Darlin airboat slowly went down another creek in complete control. But this time, Luna was at the controls and the Dreamers glared at Touché with looks that could kill.

"I'm sorry gang. My human made it look so easy," he pleaded.

They continued to glare at him.

With the guidance of Wally, Luna drove Lil Darlin through creek after creek until they finally reached the west side of the Kennedy Space Center Visitors Center.

Luna turned off the engine and the airboat coasted to a nearby sandbar.

"We better wait until the humans leave the park," Bugsy said. They got off Lil Darlin and headed to some scrub bushes and relaxed. Slither unwound from the seat leg and quickly slithered after them.

It was hours later and the sun was long gone over the horizon and it was dark at the Visitors Center and the park was now closed.

From the edge of the woods near the rocket garden, the Dreamers, and Luna, poked their heads out from behind some pine trees and looked at the rocket garden. The coast was clear.

The Dreamers and Luna ran over to the garden.

They walked around all the rocket displays.

"Wow! Look at all these antiques!" Luna commented while he looked at an Atlas rocket, and a Mercury capsule.

They walked to the Apollo capsule that the Dreamers played inside.

Luna walked around and looked the Apollo capsule over and saw the American flag.

"I remember reading about this capsule in our science history class," Luna said while he ran his hand along the skin of the capsule.

"How did you get information about our rockets," Bugsy asked curiously.

The other Dreamers were also curious.

"Our probes have been studying your planet for years," Luna replied.

He peeked under the capsule. "I'll need tools."

Wally's eyes widened with an answer. "I know just the place. Follow me."

Wally walked toward a small maintenance building to the south of the rocket garden. Luna and the rest of the Dreamers followed.

They stood at the side of the building where Wally pointed to a window with his tail.

"I've been inside that building when they left the door open. There's all kinds of tools and fancy machines inside plus other stuff we could possibility use," Wally said.

Luna tried to peek in the window but he was too short. Wally noticed and walked over to him.

"Stand on my back," Wally offered.

"Thanks," Luna said then stepped on his back.

He peeked through the window and saw a shop with sheet of metal, angle iron, numerous machines, and a portable welding machine, pile of 2x4 lumber, various hand tools and a red wagon.

"Simple tools, but they will work just fine," Luna said.

The Dreamers all looked excited.

Luna pushed the window open. "I'm going inside," Luna said.

He stood on his tippy toes but he was still a tad too short to climb inside. Then Putty, Bugsy and Slither rushed over and climbed on Wally's back. They all pressed on Luna's butt cheeks. They strained and were eventually able to lift him up to where he went inside the building. The Dreamers lost their balance and fell to the ground.

Back on Neileon, Meena had Sona locked up in a secret location on the military base.

In her secret room, Sona stared out a window with bars that were just installed so she wouldn't escape. She looked at the starry filled night and other planets. Tears ran down her cheeks while she prayed for Luna.

Back on Earth, Luna walked out and pulled the red wagon behind him. Inside the wagon was a large toolbox.

He looked around the area and saw a mobile crane where the boom was within reach of the Apollo capsule. He knew these were crude equipment to work with, but he didn't have a choice. "Let's get back to my spaceship and remove my engine. Then we can bring it back her tomorrow night," Luna said.

The Dreamers all looked a little befuddled.

"Do you mean you want us to help you?" Bugsy asked.

The other Dreamers anxiously waited for Luna's answer.

"Of course. I can't do this all alone," Luna said.

All the Dreamers jumped up and down with joy.

Luna smiled then wheeled the wagon back to the woods.

They walked back to the Lil Darlin. They all got on the airboat with the wagon. Luna climbed in the drivers seat and started up the engine.

He slowly drove Lil Darlin down the creek.

Later that night, Luna drove Lil Darlin back to the creek near Neileon 1. They were able to secure Lil Darlin to a pine tree with some rope Luna found in the toolbox.

They walked back to Neileon 1 with the red wagon.

Luna looked around. "It's too dark to remove the engine now, so we'll have to do it first thing in the morning."

The Dreamers all nodded in agreement.

They all relaxed on the ground and were soon fast asleep.

Meanwhile, back in Port St. John, Leslie, Touché's owner walked the streets. "Touché! Where are you Touché?" she called out and looked around and was worried that he might have run off and got lost.

Back on Neileon, King Tuna sat in a plush chair at his Palace. He was in deep thought while he wondered where Luna was located. He pressed a button on his Holophone on table next to his chair.

A hologram of Meena emitted from it. "Meena, have you sighted Luna yet?"

"I've sent out numerous squads. And his girl friend doesn't know where he's located and she's upset," Meena lied.

"Keep on searching," King Tuna ordered.

"Yes sir," Meena's hologram saluted.

He pressed another button on the Holophone and Meena's hologram disappeared. He pressed another button on the Holophone and four holograms of some nearby planet Leaders emitted from it. They were all human looking aliens but one had blue skin, one had purple skin, one had light red skin and one had orange skin.

"Gentlemen! I'm looking for Luna. Have you seen him hanging around your planets?" King Tuna inquired.

All the Leaders shook their heads indicating they have not seen Luna.

"King Tuna, do you want us to send him home if we do?" the orange colored Leader's hologram asked.

"Yes, send his sky surfing butt home immediately!" King Tuna responded.

All the Leaders holograms shook their heads in agreement. Their holograms disappeared leaving King Tuna with an upset stomach while he worried about Luna.

Over in Meena's office, he sat at his desk and tapped his fingers while he pondered about his the events he just created and what he had to be done to achieve his goal.

"Boe!" he yelled out.

Minutes later, Boe, Burpy and Dopey ran into his office.

"You rang sir?" Boe asked the second they stopped at Meena's desk and snapped to attention and saluted.

"The initial ceremony is tomorrow, so don't forget your assignment," Meena ordered.

Boe saluted indicating he understood. Then Meena laughed an evil laugh. Boe, Burpy and Dopey followed

and laughed an evil goofy laugh. Meena gave them a mean look. "Shut-up and leave," he yelled at them.

They stopped laughing, turned around and ran out of his office.

Way off in outer space, a huge spaceship that resembled a cruise ship, like what you see on Earth, slowly went past some strange colored planets.

In a cabin inside that spaceship, Sona's mother wore a sparkling evening gown while she sat on a bed. She started to press a button on a Holophone, then saw her husband, Fona who had a huge white handle bar moustache and wore a tuxedo jumpsuit. He saw Sona Senior and knew what she was up to.

"Let her be! When she becomes Queen, she cannot have her mother checking up on her all the time!" Fona lightly scolded Sona.

She thought about what he said and realized he was right and stopped.

"Come, we need to hurry or we'll miss the show," he told Sona while he offered her his hand.

She took his hand, got off the bed and they walked to the door arm in arm.

Chapter 7

Back on Earth, it was around noon and the weather was beautiful.

Inside Neileon 1, Luna spent the last two hours disconnecting the wireless controller box for his engine. He placed it in the wagon.

He disconnected his flyable engine. The Dreamers watched with intense interest, as they never saw the humans remove a rocket engine before.

"Okay gang, she's ready," Luna said while he placed some wrenches back in the toolbox.

Luna grabbed the nozzle and pulled on the engine. Putty, Bugsy, and Slither rushed over and grabbed a piece of engine.

The Dreamers staggered while they helped Luna carry the rocket engine over to the red wagon. Wally and Slither watched.

They set it down ever so cautiously inside the wagon.

"We'll have to install it after the tourist park closes and during the three hour gap in the guards' security check," Bugsy informed Luna.

The Dreamers all nodded in agreement and watched while Luna looked up at the sky with a homesick stare. They all felt sorry for him.

Hours later and the sun sank below the horizon and darkness fell upon the space center.

Luna and the Dreamers fell fast asleep on the ground by Neileon 1. They were exhausted after they spent hours gathering leaves and other foliage to cover Luna's rocketship to prevent the humans from discovering it in the muck.

Luna woke up and saw it was dark. "It's time," Luna said while he stood up and stretched.

The Dreamers woke up. They were ready in seconds.

Luna grabbed the handle of the wagon and wheeled it over to Lil Darlin that was still by the creek.

The Dreamers helped Luna lift the wagon onto the deck of the airboat. Luna climbed up in the drivers seat while the Dreamers all boarded Lil Darlin.

Luna started the airboat and they were soon on their way down the creek.

Later that night, Luna drove Lil Darlin down another creek and parked it on that same sandbar close to the Visitors Center.

Luna lifted the red wagon off Lil Darlin with the assistance of the Dreamers.

He wheeled the wagon through the woods and the Dreamers followed.

They got to the edge of the woods by the Rocket Garden. They peeked around some pine trees and saw the two Security guards, Ricky and Sammy, finish their rounds and then they walked to their car.

"As soon as they go, we'll have three hours," Bugsy told Luna and the other Dreamers nodded in agreement.

They waited and five minutes later, the security guards drove off in their car. The coast was clear.

Luna rushed the wagon to the maintenance building and the Dreamers rushed behind him.

Meanwhile in the streets of Port St. John, Leslie walked over and stapled a piece of paper to a telephone pole. The paper had a picture of Touché with "Lost my precious poodle Touché. Please call 555-9841 if found" words.

Leslie's eyes welled up when she looked at the picture of Touché.

She walked off down the street and when she got four houses farther, she stapled another flyer on a telephone phone.

She walked further down the street.

Back at the Visitors Center on the Kennedy Space Center, the Dreamers brought out all the 2x4 boards.

It took thirty minutes, but they were able to make a rocket stand out of the 2x4 boards. It was just high enough that gave 4 feet of clearance under Luna's rocket nozzle.

Luna walked over to the Apollo capsule where Bugsy and Stinker held up one of the angle irons to the bottom of the capsule. Luna wore the welding helmet and started up the welder. Sparks flew while he welded the angle iron to the bottom of the capsule. Luna, Stinker and Bugsy repeated this process and welded three more angle iron to the bottom of the Apollo capsule and they looked like landing struts.

The Dreamers waited while Luna rushed over to the maintenance building and wheeled the wagon with his engine over to the Apollo capsule. All the Dreamers were at the capsule.

Luna wheeled the engine under the capsule. The rocket almost reached the bottom of the capsule.

"Wally, can you climb in the wagon and let me put the engine on your back?"

Wally looked at the engine. "Will it hurt?" he asked a little concerned.

"You'll be okay," Luna replied.

"Okay," Wally said then walked to the wagon.

"Help me lift the engine, Putty, Bugsy and Stinker," Luna asked them.

They nodded in agreement and helped Luna lift up his rocket engine.

Wally climbed into the wagon and they slowly lowered the engine on his back.

"Actually, it's not that heavy," Wally said proud as there are not any gators in his neck of the woods that can say they held up a rocket engine. Luna quickly used some sheet metal, more angle iron and, various other hardware he found in the maintenance building. He attached his engine, with the assistance of the welding machine, to the bottom of the capsule.

Thirty minutes later, they found a metal ladder in the maintenance building and set in on the ground by the wooded launch tower.

Luna went inside the Apollo capsule and installed his wireless controller box.

From down below, the Dreamers all hung around the steps and looked up at the capsule, interested in what Luna's work.

After Luna installed the controller box, which also provided power to the console and the control stick, he came out of the capsule and walked down the steps.

He then grabbed the toolbox and removed a ratchet. The Dreamers watched while he disconnected all the bolts that connected the capsule from its existing metal stand. Twenty minutes later, he was finished.

"We now need that crane. Bugsy will get on top of the capsule and guide the crane hook. Now we need someone to operate the crane," Luna said while he looked at the other Dreamers.

He saw Touché and Putty's willing eyes and couldn't resist. "Can you two operate the crane?" Luna asked.

"Sure!" Putty quickly responded all excited

Then Touché and Putty ran over to the crane and climbed inside the cab.

Wally and Stinker looked apprehensive those two could pull perform this operation.

Inside the crane, they found an operational manual and quickly read it.

"A piece of cake," Putty said while he dropped the manual to the floor of the cab.

They started up the crane. Then from their cab windows, they saw Bugsy who gave them a "Thumbs up" paw to let them know he was ready.

Touché grabbed the controls and swung the boom of the crane over to Apollo capsule. He slowly lowered the hook to the large eye bolt on top of the capsule, as it was used to install the capsule on display many years ago.

Bugsy connected the crane hook to the capsule eye bolt. He waved at the mobile crane.

The engine of the crane sounded louder while it lifted the Apollo capsule up in the air.

Inside the crane cab, Touché operated the controls and Putty looked jealous.

"Let me do it!" Putty demanded as he tried to remove Touché's paws off the joystick. Touché resisted and they fought over it.

The crane's boom went haywire and went all over the place causing the capsule to swing around. Bugsy hung on the crane hook for dear life.

"Ahhhh!" he screamed out while the capsule was being tossed all around.

He lost his grip. His nails screeched while he slid down the side of the capsule. He fell off but grabbed one of the angle irons just in the nick of time. The capsule continued to swing widely around while Bugsy hung onto the angle iron for dear life.

Wally, Slither and Stinker watched in horror while Bugsy was being flung around the air.

Luna saw this and quickly rushed over and climbed up the crane's ladder leading to the cab.

Luna rushed inside the cab and quickly pushed Touché and Putty away from the controls. He took over got the boom under control. He slowly and with precision, lowered the Apollo capsule down to the top of that wooden launch tower they made.

Touché and Putty sat and pouted on the floor.

Meanwhile, at the front of the Visitors Center, the security car drove up to the maintenance entrance.

The Ricky and Sammy the security guards stepped out of their car. They both looked at the entrance.

"Another boring security sweep," Ricky told Sammy.

"I know. We've been doing this for five years and we find nothing every time," Sammy replied.

They both pondered while they looked at the entrance and were thinking the same.

"Let's skip it for once," Ricky said.

"Sound's like a plan. As I need another cup of coffee," Sammy replied.

They got back in their security car and drove away.

Back on Neileon, it was another huge social even in the Neileonville grand auditorium for the ceremony for Luna becoming King. It was the initial ceremony for the crown and the start of King Tuna's retirement.

It was packed with Neileons while they anxiously waited with King Tuna on stage. Meena sat in a chair to his left with an empty chair to his right.

King Tuna looked sad while he stared at the empty chair. He looked to the side of the stage and hoped Luna would show. He did not and Meena had a huge smirk as the sight of that empty chair.

Governing Council member 1 entered the stage.

Governing Council member 2 entered the stage and carried a shiny crown on a fluffy red pillow. It was King Tuna's crown that he had to surrender so they could have it cleaned and polished.

They walked over and stood by King Tuna who still stared at the side of the stage.

Council member 1 saw Luna was missing. "If Luna doesn't arrive in two seconds, the default clause goes into effect," Council member 1 informed King Tuna who nodded that he understood. He did not like it but he knew that rule were rules.

They waited two seconds then Council member 1 addressed the audience.

"Since Prince Luna failed to attend the initial ceremony, King Tuna is officially retired and Neileon law forty-three dash thirteen is now in effect. The King's crown will be presented to Meena, first cousin to the King. This means he must keep the crown in his possession until the final ceremony five days from now. Then he'll be officially King Meena of Neileon and may pick a Queen of his choosing," Council member 1 said.

Council member 2 walked the fluffy pillow over to King Tuna.

An unhappy King Tuna reluctantly removed the crown off the pillow and walked over to Meena. He handed the crown to Meena's waiting hands and happy face.

The two Council members left the stage.

Meena held up the crown extremely proud of his evil achievement.

The Neileons in the audience gave Meena a mediocre clap as the never though highly of him.

Meena noticed and looked at the audience. He saw four ugly female Neileons in front row. They give him little waves and blew him kisses while winking in hopes of being his Queen. He did not like the potential Queens.

Boe rushed over to Meena from the side of stage and got on his tippy toes and faked a whisper into Meena's ear, then rushed off the stage.

Meena turned to King Tuna. "King Tuna, may I speak to you in private?"

King Tuna looked curious while they both walked to the back of the stage.

"Sir. We've discovered Luna flew to Earth and they shot him down," Meena informed King Tuna who looked shocked over the news. "What! Is he alive?" King Tuna responded and his stomach immediately got upset.

"We believe he's being held as a prisoner," Luna lied. "Earth? Why would he go to there?"

"Well sir, a private told me overheard Luna boasting of flying to Earth to establish relations like you wanted. He took a fighter spaceship," Meena responded hoping King Tuna believed him.

"I didn't mean right now! And a fighter spaceship sends the wrong message," King Tuna said. Then he pondered how to get Luna out of his mess. "I better handle this myself. I'll fly to Earth and talk with the head Earthling. They seem like reasonable Aliens. After they realize this is a huge misunderstanding, they'll free Luna," King Tuna told Meena.

"Are you sure they won't shoot you down?" Meena asked.

"I'll use my limo. It looks harmless," King Tuna replied then rushed off the stage. Meena had a smirk as he still schemed.

The Neileons in the audience looked shocked as they heard their conservation. They all rushed out of the auditorium.

On a sidewalk at the main street of Neileonville, called Neileonville Parkway, numerous Neileons walked down a sidewalk and stopped at a stand that emitted a hologram newspaper with "PRINCE LUNA SHOT DOWN BY EARTHLINGS. HELD PRISONER! KING TUNA WILL RESCUE HIM" headlines.

They could not believe their eyes.

"Poor little Luna! Why did he go to Earth?" one female Neileon asked.

"You never know with that kid," a male Neileon replied.

"King Tuna will save the day. He always does!" a male Neileon commented with confidence.

All the surrounding Neileons nodded their heads in agreement.

Meanwhile, back on Earth at the Visitors Center, the Apollo capsule sat on top of that wooden launch tower.

Luna and the Dreamers stood back twenty feet and looked at the capsule.

"Guys, I can't thank you enough for all the help - and I hate to ask for more - but Meena's pretty crafty so, I need you to come along as proof that Meena shot me down," Luna asked them.

The Dreamers didn't understand his offer at first then it sunk in then their eyes lit up with excitement.

"We can go and be space knights and save Earth!" cried out Bugsy all excited.

Then all the Dreamers jumped up and down in excitement, except for Putty who looked scared to death.

Bugsy and Stinker each grabbed a stick off the ground and pretended they're light sabers. The play fought and accidently poked each other in their eyes then dropped their stick and covered an eye with a paw.

"Great! I need some time to complete the final preps. So go get ready for the trip and we'll leave at the rising of your sun," Luna told them with a smile.

The Dreamers nodded in agreement and run to the woods with Bugsy and Stinker covering an eye.

Chapter 8

Later that night outside the entrance to Bugsy's rabbit hole, Touché sat on a leaf next to a hole in a mound with flowers and "Welcome Friends" sign. He didn't want to get dirty by going inside Bugsy's home. So he waited outside.

Inside Bugsy's rabbit hole, the dirt walls were lighted with torches and hundreds of framed pictures of rabbits. One picture was of Grandpa Bunny with the famous actor Bugs Bunny. Grandpa Bunny was the stunt double for Bugs Bunny back in Hollywood many years ago. Then off to the side were two other holes, which were bedrooms.

Grandpa Bunny, who always wore a bronze human baby shoe on a chain around his neck, sat in a rocking chair while he read the "Bunny's World" magazine under a lighted torch. But had one ear listening to the Dreamers conservations coming from inside Bugsy's bedroom.

In Bugsy's bedroom, which also had lighted torches in the dirt walls, Bugsy sat on a bed made up of leaves under a "Duke Spacewalker – Space Knight" poster on the wall. This was the poster that Touché gave Bugsy as a birthday present last year. Scooter still wondered to this day what happened to his poster.

Wally, Stinker, Slither and Putty sat on the dirt floor extremely nervous.

"Why did we agree? We only know how to eat, sleep and poop," Stinker inquired.

"But it's been our dream to go into space to be heroes!" Bugsy answered.

"But it's so far away from home," Putty threw in his two cents with scared eyes.

"But Earth will be taken over and all of our friends will be - you know!" Bugsy added.

"Bet his planet doesn't have water. I can't live without water!" Wally commented with a worried look.

"I'm not liking this idea also," Slither added.

Bugsy thought about their conservation and had his doubts. "You're right, only humans can be heroes," said Bugsy with sad eyes.

Grandpa Bunny entered Bugsy's bedroom with his magazine.

"So Earth's in danger of being taken over by this Meena Alien?" Grandpa Bugsy asked the Dreamers, who all shook their heads in agreement

"And helping this Luna alien become King would also save Earth?" He asked.

The Dreamers nodded their heads in agreement.

"Then do it! Don't let this golden opportunity to be space knights pass you by. Be heroes! Go save Earth!" Grandpa Bugsy told them. He removed his bronze shoe on a chain and threw it at Bugsy who caught it.

"That will bring you good luck! That famous actor Bugs Bunny who wore it during his casting calls gave it to me. I brought him luck for getting roles in cartoons," Grandpa Bunny said then left the room.

The Dreamers pondered his lecture while Bugsy stared at the bronze shoe in awe that it once belonged to Bugs Bunny.

Grandpa Bunny sat back in his chair with a chuckle. "They're so cute when they pretend to be space knights planning their next space adventure," he said then picked up his magazine and continued reading without knowing this danger they mentioned was for real.

Meanwhile, back in Port St. John, Leslie couldn't sleep, as she was worried to death about Touché being missing. She sat out on the front porch with a pot of coffee and planned to stay up all night until he came home. The sun just started to peek above the horizon when the Dreamers came out of the Bugsy's rabbit hole, with Bugsy who had that bronzed shoe on a chain around his neck.

They walked away with Putty who looked extremely happy.

Touché got off the ground and grabbed his leaf and followed them. "Are we going?" he asked.

"Naw! Too dangerous!" Bugsy answered with Wally, Stinker and Bugsy who all nodded in agreement.

Touché looked relieved while they walked through the woods and headed towards the direction of the Visitors Center.

Later, at the Visitors Center, the capsule was still on that wooden stand with the ladder below its door.

Luna pokes his out of the capsule hatch and looked around. He smiled when he saw the Dreamers walking toward the capsule from the edge of the woods.

"Hurry up, we only have three minutes left," he called out to them.

The Dreamers stopped and Bugsy looked ashamed.

"Ah, Luna, we kinda decided it might be safer if we stay here!"

The rest of the Dreamers nodded their heads in agreement.

"But I need you!" Luna told them with disappointed eyes.

"We might die!" cried out Putty with fear in his voice.

"We can't do what humans do!" Bugsy said with sadness in is voice.

The Dreamers then waved goodbye to Luna while he sadly closed the hatch.

Bugsy then felt the bronze shoe hanging down and had an idea. "Luna wait!" Bugsy yelled out, as he wanted to give the bronze baby shoe to Luna for good luck. "Might die? I'll make it painless," Derek von Snapper said from behind the Dreamers.

Fear grew on their faces, as they knew that voice meant immediate danger. Then they slowly turned around and saw Derek von Snapper and Slim twenty feet away and inched slowly toward them while they licked their chops in anticipation of a good meal.

The Dreamers looked at the Apollo capsule then looked back at Derek von Snapper and Slim who were now fifteen feet away. They all looked at each other and they all nodded their heads in agreement.

The Dreamers sprang into action and raced over to the capsule with Derek von Snapper and Slim chasing them while and they snapped. Touché unknowingly dropped his leaf.

Inside the capsule, Luna sat depressed in his seat, as he needed the help and he actually took a liking to his newfound friends. Then loud banging echoed inside the capsule while someone knocked on the hatch. Luna quickly opened it.

Wally with Putty clinging on to his back with eyes closed, Touché, Stinker, Bugsy and Slither quickly jumped inside and trampled over each other.

"Close the door!" Wally screamed out in fear.

Luna quickly closed the door then looked surprised. "What changed your mind?" he asked.

"Just launch this thing!" Putty screamed out.

Touché looked around the capsule floor in a panic. "Did anybody grab my leaf?" he said in a panic.

The rest of the Dreamers ignored Touché while they frantically pushed buttons and turned knobs on the console.

Luna reached over to his controller box and pressed the "Engine Fire Sequence" backup button. Outside by the other rocket displays, Lester and Tater who both wore greasy maintenance coveralls, walked thru the park.

"I can't believe my Lil Darlin is still missing," Tater said about ready to cry.

"Don't worry buddy, there's other airboats out there just dying for you to take them home," Lester said while he placed an arm around his buddy's shoulder for comfort.

"Yeah, I guess you're right," Tater responded. He looked at the souvenir shop past the rocket garden. "Let's hurry up and fix that broken toilet in the souvenir shop before the park opens."

"By the way Scooter called and wanted to know if we've seen his poodle?" Tater asked.

"Nope," Lester replied while they walked thirty feet past that stand the Apollo capsule was once located and didn't notice the wooden tower that now housed the capsule and the new engine.

Then Tater got a "What the?" look and stopped when it dawned on something was weird.

They turned around and saw the capsule on top of the wooden launch tower.

Derek von Snapper and Slim were just by the base of the tower and looked up at the capsule.

"You can't stay in there for ever!" Derek von Snapper yelled at the capsule.

"Yeah. You have to some out sooner or later. So you might as well get this over with," Slim added smiled in anticipation of a good meal.

"Who the heck built that?" Tater said while he removed his ball cap and scratched his head.

"Some type of new display method?" Lester responded.

Lester removed his ball cap and scratched his head. "Look at them gators at the bottom of the capsule." Luna's engine ignited from the bottom of the Apollo capsule with a light colored purple flame.

"What the heck?" Tater said.

The Apollo capsule lifted off the wooden launch tower.

The blast knocked Lester and Tater on their butts.

Then Derek von Snapper and Slim eyes widened in shock when they realized they were in danger when the flame shot straight down at them.

They ran away to the woods scared to death but didn't escape in time as their tails caught on fire.

Lester and Tater got up and looked at each other in disbelief.

"How can we explain that?" Lester said.

"I dunno. I can't figure how that capsule launched all by itself," Tater replied.

They both watched while the capsule ascended higher into the sky.

Inside the Apollo capsule, the G-force pushed Luna and the Dreamers against the seats.

"Yahoooo!" Bugsy screamed out in joy.

All the other Dreamers were excited except for Putty who looked scared to death and clung on to the top of one of the seats.

Derek von Snapper and Slim raced through the woods with their tails on fire. They saw a creek up ahead and sped up. They got to the bank and jumped into the water. Steam came out of the water while their tails were extinguished.

From Port St. John, Leslie walked the streets in search of Touché. Then neighbors stopped what they were doing and looked up at the sky.

"I didn't know NASA was going to launch a small rocket," a neighbor said and Leslie heard him.

She looked up at the sky and saw the Apollo capsule while it raced toward outer space.

She could care less about a rocket launch while she scanned the neighborhood. "Touché! Come her boy!" she cried out and held back her tears while she thought she might never see her precious poodle.

The Apollo capsule ascended up toward space and the whole state of Florida was seen below.

Then the whole United States was seen below.

Then the whole Earth was visible while the capsule went into outer space.

Inside the Apollo capsule, Luna and the Dreamers floated inside and they loved the feeling.

Putty was scared to death while he dug his claws harder into the seat so he wouldn't float way.

"Can you fly us around Earth?" Bugsy asked Luna while the Dreamers, except for Putty, floated to the capsule windows for a view.

"Yeah! There's tons of water to see from up here!" Wally joined in.

"It would be my pleasure!" Luna responded while he maneuvered the joystick a little.

From the capsule windows they saw Europe.

Then they saw the Middle East.

Then they saw India, Russia, China, and Asia.

Then they saw Australia.

Then they see the middle of the Pacific.

Then they saw the Hawaiian Islands.

Then they saw the West Coast of America.

The Dreamers loved the view, except for Putty who still clung with his nail digging to one of the seats, scared to death.

Luna monitored the console and moved the control stick and the capsule left Earth's orbit.

Then he pressed a button on the console and the capsule kicked into supersonic speed and the Dreamers all slammed against the back wall.

"Man, that was a blast!" Bugsy yelled out.

All the Dreamers nodded in agreement except for Putty who never left the seat.

Then an hour later, the Moon came into view with the Dreamers. The Dreamers saw it and floated over to the windows for a better view.

After the capsule flew past the Moon, they floated around loving the feeling of weightlessness. Except for Putty, who still clung to Luna's seat, scared to death. Luna monitored the console.

That Earth probe with attached Neileon probe flew towards Mars.

The Apollo capsule zoomed toward Mars and flew over the two probes at a faster speed.

The capsule zoomed by Saturn and its rings.

Inside the capsule, the Dreamers stared out the windows loving the view of Saturn and its rings. Except for Putty who still clings to Luna's seat, scared to death. Luna monitored the console.

The capsule turned and flew over the beautiful colorful rings of Saturn.

It then flew in the direction of a black hole.

The capsule flies into a black hole.

Inside the capsule, psychedelic colors filled up the windows and the capsule spun while it raced inside the black hole. The Dreamers loved the color show from the windows, except for Putty who closed his eyes and shivered in fright. Luna sat back and monitored the console.

Then the capsule started spinning.

The capsule raced out of the black hole.

The spinning stopped and everybody started floating around. Putty still clung to the Luna's seat scared to death.

"That was so cool!" said Bugsy with a huge grin. Touché, Stinker, Wally and Slither nodded in agreement. "Are we there yet?" asked Putty with one eye open. Luna looked out a window.

"Almost," Luna answered.

Chapter 9

Back at the driveway of the King Tuna's Palace on Neileon, a big fancy Cadillac looking limo was parked near the front entrance with its front hood up.

Boe, Burpy and Dopey fiddled around the inside of the limo's engine compartment with some strange tools. They quietly closed the hood and snuck away with some engine parts in hand.

They gingerly snuck away down the driveway and when they where away from the Palace, they raced to their spaceship, which was hidden in a small clearing in the woods.

An hour later at the driveway of the King Tuna's Palace, the back trunk of the limo spaceship was open and Albie placed two suitcases inside it then closed the trunk.

Albie walked away from the limo and headed to the front door of the Palace.

Later that day, inside the Palace den, King Tuna stared at a bookcase and at a hologram picture of King Tuna and a younger Luna pretending to be King with a proud smile.

Albie entered the room. "We're ready sir," Albie told King Tuna, who turned around and looked at Albie with eyes filled with tears.

King Tuna left the room with Albie.

At the driveway of the Palace, Albie and King Tuna walked out of the Palace front entrance, then walked up to the back of the limo spaceship where Albie opened the back door.

King Tuna got inside then Albie closed the door. He rushed over to the drivers' side and got inside. The engine started up with a whirl. Then the engine whined louder and rose up from the driveway. The limo spaceship hovered down the driveway then it ascended up into the sky.

Meanwhile in Meena's office, he sat behind his desk and admired the King's Crown in front of him. He picked up the crown and stroked it. Then he kissed it. Then he hugged it. He heard someone at this door so he quickly laid the crown on his desk.

Boe, Burpy and Dopey rushed into his office with huge smiles on their faces. Their uniforms now had three strips on their sleeves meaning a promotion for a job well done. They walked up to his desk and snapped to attention.

"Did you fix it?" Meena asked with hopeful eyes.

"Yes boss. His ship will quit just as it gets to Deserta," Boe responded.

Meena looked extremely happy.

"Great! I'll let the press know the Earthlings have King Tuna and after I'm King, I'll declare war on them," Meena laughed an evil laugh then he picked up the crown and kissed it.

Boe, Burpy and Dopey laughed an evil laugh.

Meena got irritated by their laughter and jumped up from his desk and ran over to them. He slapped them across their faces. Their heads spun around with Burpy burping.

"Leave!" he ordered.

Boe, Burpy and Dopey did an about face and ran of his office.

Meena walked back and sat down behind his desk and continued to admire his crown.

Five minutes later and he daydreamed...

King Meena was given a ticker tape parade down Neileonville where Aliens from all different planets cheered. Meena sat on the back of a Jeep that Boe drove with Burpy next to him. It hovered down Neileonville Parkway but Meena changed the name to "Meena Parkway."

"King Meena! We love King Meena," Aliens chanted and waved while Meena's Jeep hovered past them.

Meena sat at his desk with a huge grin while his daydream continued.

"I'm going to change the name of our capital to Meenaville," he said out loud. "Yep, I'll change it to Meenaville."

He continued to daydream of all the changes he would implement.

Later that day, way off in outer space, King Tuna's limo slowly flew toward the planet Deserta. Way above King Tuna's limo, the Apollo capsule whizzed over the limo flying in the opposite direction and headed toward Neileon at four times the speed of the King's limo ship.

Later that day, the Apollo capsule flew to Neileon and descended down to it.

Inside the capsule, the Dreamers were all seated in the seats while they descended down to the planet.

The woods were quiet by King Tuna's Palace.

The roar of an engine was heard.

The Apollo capsule was visible descending into the woods that surrounded the Palace grounds.

It landed in a small clearing in the woods on the angle iron landing struts Luna created.

The engine shut down and then the hatch quickly opened.

Luna jumped out landed on the ground on both feet.

He looked up at the capsule. "Welcome to Neileon my friends," he yelled up at the Dreamers.

Bugsy cautiously poked his head out of the capsule and looked the area over. He looked back inside the capsule.

"Hey guys, it looks like home," he said.

Then Bugsy jumped out of the capsule into Luna's waiting arms. He set Bugsy down on the ground.

Then Stinker poked his head out of the capsule and smiled, as he liked the planet so far. He jumped out and landed in Luna's waiting arms. He set Stinker down on the ground.

Then Slither poked his head out and slithered down the side of the capsule then down one of the make shift landing struts.

Then Wally stuck his head out of the capsule. He jumped out and landed in Luna's waiting arms. He set Wally down on the ground.

Then Touché poked his head out. He jumped out and landed in Luna's waiting arms. He set Touché down on the ground.

Luna and the Dreamers looked up at the doorway.

"We've landed Putty. You can open your eyes," Luna yelled at him.

After a few seconds of silence, Putty slowly stuck his head out the capsule. He looked down at the ground and shook with fright at the height.

"You can do it Putty," Bugsy coached him.

"Come on Putty. Jump," Stinker added.

"Yeah. It's nice down here," Slither said.

Putty closed his eyes, and stood at the hatch opening. His legs shook while he looked down at Luna. Then he closed his eyes and jumped and landed into Luna's waiting arms. He cautiously opened his eyes and felt safer. Luna set Putty down on the ground.

Then Luna made a mad dash through the woods.

The Dreamers admired the woods of Neileon, then realized Luna ran off and got nervous being alone on this unfamiliar planet. They ran off after him. At the military base inside Meena's office, he sat behind his desk whistling a happy tune while he reviewed some paperwork with the crown in front of him.

A Holophone bee booped and a hologram of a soldier emitted from the phone.

"General. We've picked up an unidentified spaceship on radar. It landed near the King's Palace," the soldier's hologram told Meena.

Meena stopped whistling and his smile quickly vanished. He got mad and pressed a button on the Holophone and the hologram image disappeared.

"Boe!" he screamed in the direction of his office doorway.

A few seconds passed and Boe, Burpy and Dopey raced through the doorway at the same time. They got stuck in the doorway and strained to enter. They strained harder and there was a loud pop sound when they were set free. But they landed on their faces. They jumped up, snapped to attention and saluted.

Meena shook his head in disgust with the goof balls. "I want you bozos to get Squad Alfalfa over to the King's Palace! I got word that a spaceship landed in the woods over there. I'm afraid the worst has happened," he ordered.

"Yes boss!" barked out Boe followed with a salute. They turned around and ran out of the room.

Meena gets up and stormed out of the room.

Ten minutes later had passed and Luna and the Dreamers ran out of the woods onto the Palace grounds. Luna's eyes widened with fear and he stopped dead in his tracks causing the Dreamers to bump into each other ending up in a pile.

"Back in the woods! Hurry!" Luna quietly cried out.

He turned around, ran up and over the top of the Dreamers and back into the woods. They wondered what

was wrong while they get off each other. They ran back into the woods after Luna.

Luna peeked around a tree and saw three troop carrying spaceships land on the front grounds of the Palace. The doors opened up and 30 armed soldiers from Squad Alfalfa rushed out.

They all went in separate directions and started to search the grounds.

Luna sat down by that tree upset and knew the Apollo capsule was detected.

"Father's gone and Meena has guards surrounding the Palace," he said with a worried look. "Let's get back to the Apollo and figure out our next move," Luna told the Dreamers.

Luna and the Dreamers ran deeper in the woods.

Touché ears perked up. "Shhh!" he quietly told everybody who immediately froze in position.

"There's someone over there," he quietly told them while he pointed straight ahead.

They cautiously followed Luna to a big bush and hid behind it. Then they peeked through some leaves and saw Meena, Boe, Burpy, Dopey and three soldiers walking around and checking out the Apollo capsule.

"Luna came back! I just know it!" Meena commented while he stared at the American flag on the capsule. He took out a laser pistol and turned around and aimed at a tree near that big bush they were hiding behind. A laser beam fired out his pistol and instantly split the tree in half.

Luna and the Dreamers watched while one half of that split trees fell at them. They froze with fear. Boom! The tree landed and missed them by inches. They looked relieved and peeked through the leaves of the bush where they saw Meena pacing by the capsule with Boe, Burpy and Dopey at his heals. "Nothing will stop me from being King and taking over Earth. Tell Squad Alfalfa at the Palace that Luna is somewhere in the area," Meena ordered.

The three soldiers ran toward the big bush where they were hiding.

Luna and the Dreamers anticipated getting caught when they saw the soldiers running in their direction. Then a freaky looking bug landed on Touché's nose. His eyes crossed as he stared at it and the bug freaked him out.

Luna saw Touché getting ready to scream so he quickly swatted the bug off his nose and quickly grabbed Touché's snout and held it shut.

"Wait! First move this antique thing over to the spaceship show and sell it," Meena yelled at the soldiers.

The three soldiers stopped at the other side of that bush, turned around and ran back to Meena.

Luna and the Dreamers wiped their foreheads relieved it was safe. Luna motioned for them to follow him.

He crawled away in the opposite direction and they followed.

Luna and the Dreamers snuck along the edge of the woods with the Palace visible behind them.

They snuck twenty feet down along the edge of the woods when all of a sudden Luna sensed something. He looked up in the sky and saw Lon, Saul, Lorge and Bingo surfing on sky boards.

Luna made a dolphin sound up in the air at the Surfers.

The Surfers looked down from the sky and waved when they saw Luna down below. They quickly descended and landed near Luna. They stood on their sky boards while they hovered inches above the ground.

"Luna, we thought you were stranded on..." Lon said but immediately stopped when the Surfers noticed the Dreamers. They all took a step back leery of them and fell off their boards landing on their butts.

"What are they?" Lorge asked a little scared.

"They're my friends from Earth and are harmless," Luna said.

"We heard you were held prisoner there! What happened?" asked Saul but was still a little leery of the Dreamers.

"Long story, but these are my Earth friends who helped me come home," replied Luna.

The Surfers looked the Dreamers over then felt comfortable with them.

"We need to get out of here now! Meena has Alfalfa Squad searching for me. Plus father is missing and Meena took Sona," Luna pleaded with the Surfers.

Lon motioned for them to jump on their sky boards. Luna got on Lon's board.

The Dreamers all looked unsure.

"Don't worry, it's safe," Luna assured them.

Touché and Wally got on Saul's board.

Stinker got on Lorge's board.

Bugsy and Slither get on Bingo's board. Where Slither wrapped around Bingo's ankles, which startled him.

"Don't worry, it's cool," Slither said while he looked up at Bingo.

Bingo accepted the snake wrapped around his ankle.

Putty stood and shook with fear while he looked at the sky boards then looked up at the sky.

"Come on Putty, get on," said Stinker.

Putty furiously shook his head in disagreement.

"Get on Putty before you get arrested!" cried out Bugsy.

Putty furiously shook his head harder in disagreement.

Boom! A tree split in half close to them from a laser beam fired from a pistol.

This was enough to force Putty to leap, on the sky board with Stinker. He closed his eyes and hugged Lorge's right leg.

The Surfers pushed off and soon ascended into the sky with the Dreamers clinging on the Surfers' legs for dear life.

The Surfers surfed in the sky. They surfed around the clouds.

A laser beam zapped past them. They turned around and saw a spaceship with a clear canopy. Inside were Boe, at the control stick, Burpy and Dopey who sat next to him. Meena was in the backseat.

"Hang on!" cried out Lon.

The Surfers each made different evasive maneuvers in all different directions with the spaceship trying to keep up. It can't. The Surfers all made other evasive maneuvers.

On Lorge's sky board, Putty lost his grip from Lorge's leg. He slid to the back of his sky board and fell off. He quickly grabbed the back of the board with both paws and dangled in the air scared to death while Lorge sky surfed. Putty lost his grip with one paw and hung on by the other paw.

Stinker turned around and saw Putty hanging on by one paw and freaked out. "Putty!" Stinker screamed out scared to death he was going to lose his friend.

Lorge looked behind him and saw Putty hanging on for dear life. He reached down and tried to grab him. Putty lost his grip and tumbled down to the ground with eyes as big as cantaloupes.

"Rescue time dudes," Lorge said with a brave determined look.

The other Surfers and Luna looked and saw Putty tumbling down to the ground scared to death. They all

quickly got into a loop with the Dreamers clinging on for dear life looking sick.

The spaceship went into a loop after the Surfers. A laser beam fired from their spaceship and missed the Surfers.

The Surfers came out of the loop and Lorge caught Putty who hugged Lorge for dear life.

Then while the Surfers surfed away, Putty, Touché, Bugsy and Stinker turned green. Putty barfed. The rest of the Dreamers thought it's cool so they barfed.

Barf splattered all over the canopy of Meena's spaceship. Then more barf splattered on the canopy covering it with zero visibility.

"I can't see!" Boe said as he frantically moved the control stick around.

"Duh, let me fly it, duh," demanded Dopey.

"No, let me!" Burpy burped out.

Burpy and Dopey tried to grab the controls away from Boe who resisted. They fought over it. The spaceship turned upside down. The spaceship turned right side up. Boe pushed Dopey away knocking him into Burpy and they both fell on their butts.

The Surfers turned around and looked below. They saw the spaceship flying widely all over the place then it dove down to the ground.

It crashed.

The Surfers surfed away higher in the sky toward a mountain way off in the distance.

Back on the ground, Meena's spaceship was all banged up. The door creaked open and Meena appeared in a daze. He stumbled out of the spaceship and stood by the door,

Boe, Burpy and Dopey stumbled out and fell on top of Meena. Burpy burps by Meena's ear and he immediately pushed them off and jumped up mad. "Alert the press Boe!" Meena ordered. Boe ran off with Burpy and Dopey following.

Back at that mountain, the Surfers with Luna and the Dreamers, who still clung on their sky boards, surfed to a ledge at the top of the mountain.

"We're gonna die! I just know it!" Putty quietly muttered to himself.

The Surfers all landed on the ledge.

"Welcome to our home," Lon told the Dreamers.

The Dreamers looked and saw a grass hut near some vegetation and a trail that led down the backside of the mountain. They liked what they saw except for Putty who was scared of being this high up.

"Lorge, why don't you go scout out the town and maybe you'll hear where King Tuna and Sona might be located," Lon requested.

"Sure thing," Lorge said then got in his sky board and jumped off the ledge and sky surfed away.

Chapter 10

Later on that day on a Neileonville Parkway sidewalk, numerous Neileons stared at a newsstand that emitted a hologram newspaper with the "GENERAL MEENA REPORT - PRINCE LUNA RETURNED WITH DEADLY EARTH CREATURES, NEILEON IN DANGER!" headlines.

They read it and looked around fearful the Earth creatures are nearby.

"Did the Earthlings brainwash Luna?" a female Neileon asked with fear.

"Does it hurt to have your brain washed? Do they use soap?" a young boy Neileon curiously asked while he rubbed his head.

"Do you think the Earth creatures will try to eat us?" another female Neileon asked.

All the Neileons around the boy shrugged their shoulders indicating they don't know but were scared of being either eaten or having their brains washed with soap. They quickly looked around to make sure they were safe.

Then another hologram headlines appeared. "MEENA ACTIVATED MILITARY DRAFT EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY FOR ALL MALE'S 15 YEARS AND OLDER. MORE SOLDIERS NEEDED IN CASE EARTH ATTACKS."

All the young male Neileon's looked nervous as most of them did not want to be in the military.

Lorge saw this amongst the crowd. He ran off with his sky board and jumped on it and was soon soaring off into to the sky.

He sky surfed toward the mountains.

Later that day on the ledge at the top of the mountain had a beautiful view of Neileonville below. Not far from the ledge was a campfire. The Surfers with the Dreamers sat around the campfire. Putty sat by the hut but he kept an eye on the ledge afraid he might fall off. Luna just finished telling his surfer friends about his experience with being shot down and stranded on Earth.

"I can't believe Meena did that!" said Lon with a surprise look.

"And he wants to take over Earth!" said Bugsy with a worried look.

Lon felt sorry for the Dreamers and stroked Bugsy's hair to comfort him.

"Where's Father?"

"We heard he just left for Earth to rescue you," Bingo answered, which upset Luna.

"If I only waited on Earth longer! Then father could have rescued me and he could have stopped Meena," Luna replied.

"I wanna go home!" whined Putty way over from the hut.

"Home? If Meena gets his way, we won't have a home. We're in this for the long haul!" Wally answered.

Putty looked upset.

Luna noticed Putty so he walked over and sat down next to him. He petted Putty head, which comforted him.

Then Lorge sky surfed out of the sky and landed on the ledge. He looked upset.

"Hey guys, Meena just declared that every male over the age of fifteen will be in the Army right now," Lorge broke the bad news to his buddies.

Bingo, Saul and Lon all frowned.

"Why?" Bingo asked.

"Because he thinks Earth might attack us," Lorge replied.

"Army stuff hinders us from owning our surf shop," said Bingo.

"And I don't want to wear their stupid green uniform," Saul added.

"We can hide up here. I'm not putting on a stupid green uniform. No way!" Saul told Luna who was in deep thought.

"I can't let him attack another planet!" Luna insisted. The Dreamers all looked upset.

"What are we going to do Luna? I can't bear the thought of your Meena barbequing my grandfather," said Bugsy.

The rest of the Dreamers looked at Luna for hope.

He pondered for a few minutes while he tried to figure out how to save everybody. Then his eyes lit up indicating he had the answer. "First we rescue Sona, come back here and try to contact father in his limo. He can stop Meena. Maybe put him in jail," Luna said. "Lon can you get me a Holophone?" he asked.

"We'll help anyway we can!" Lon immediately responded.

The other Surfers nodded their heads in agreement. Then they raised their arms in the air and linked pinky fingers together. Luna joined them. "Friends!" they all yelled out.

The Dreamers smiled indicating they liked what they saw so they copied by linking link their claws together in the air. Slither just shot straight up. "Friends!" the Dreamers yelled out together.

"Now where would Meena keep Sona?" Luna pondered.

They all thought, then Saul's eyes lit up with an idea.

"There are two Army Surfers that always frequent the sky shop. I bet I can find out, as Surfers don't keep secrets from other Surfers," Saul said then got up.

"I'm going to put that in work now," Saul said then got up and walked over to hut. He grabbed his sky board. It dropped to the ground and it hovers inches above it. He jumped on the board and took off toward the ledge. "I'll be back," said Saul the second he flew off the ledge and was soon out of sight.

Wally's stomach growled with hunger, then Touché's stomach growled with hunger.

Luna looked at them and felt ashamed. "Where's my manners? Let's get some grub," Luna offered.

The Dreamers all loved that idea!

Meanwhile, at this exact moment in outer space, inside King Luna's Cadillac spaceship, Albie sat at the controls while King Tuna sat in the backseat and stared out his window looking ever so sad.

"I wish my spaceship would travel faster," King Tuna said.

"Sorry sir, I have it at full speed. This isn't one of your fighter spaceships," Albie said from the controls.

King Tuna nodded in agreement while he stared out his window.

Albie stared out his window and watched while the planet Deserta was coming closer at a faster speed.

Suddenly, the spaceship engine sputtered.

King Tuna looked worried. "What's wrong? Did we hit something?" King Tuna asked.

Albie scratched his head while he studied the console instruments over for the problem. "No sir. We had another spaceship fly over us a while back, but it flew way above us and at a faster speed," Albie replied.

From the front windows, the sandy looking Planet Deserta was visible and getting closer.

The spaceship sputtered and shook.

Then it took a sudden dive down to Deserta.

Albie flipped switches, turned knobs, and tried to steer the ship away from the Planet.

It continued to dive to that desert looking planet.

King Tuna looked scared. He quickly tightened on his seat belt, and pressed a "Holophone" button on a small console in front of him. Then a hologram of nothing but static TV snow emitted from the console.

"Everything's going wrong!" said King Tuna while he looked out his window and saw that the planet Deserta was getting closer and closer.

Back on the Neileon mountain ledge, the sky looked beautiful with the sinking sun.

Luna, the Surfers and the Dreamers all sat around the campfire near the ledge.

Putty still sat by the hut still scared he might fall over.

All the Dreamers had pouchy full tummies from eating some exotic fruits.

"Now, that was some delicious fruits and berries," Wally said with sleepy eyes. Then he burped and the rest of the space dreamers thought that was cool, so they burped.

Lon, Lorge and Bingo looked at each other, nodded in agreement, and burped extremely loud with sound waves that knocked the Dreamers over. They get up and give the Surfers a "Thumbs up" sign.

Saul sky surfed up to ledge and jumped off his sky board. "Meena has Sona locked up in his residence at the Army base," he told Luna while he ran over to him with his sky board in hand.

Luna didn't like what he heard. "She's probably heavily guarded," Luna replied then got a brave look. "But that's not going to stop me!"

"Do you have an extra sky board?" Luna asked Lon. "In the hut," Lon replied.

"What's our plan?" Bugsy asked.

Luna looked at the ledge then he motioned for everybody to some close to him. Everybody did except for Putty who was still scared to death of the ledge. They huddled together and Luna explained his plan.

Meanwhile, back on the planet Deserta, King Tuna's limo spaceship dove down toward that sandy planet.

It dove straight at a huge rock. But Albie was able to quickly pull the limo upward and it skimmed inches over the hard rock. Then it dove downward and crashed nose first into the sand.

It was nighttime down on Neileon and the capitol was all lit up while Neileons strolled down the sidewalk of Neileonville Parkway. The past news about the Earth creatures was still on their minds, but since there have not been any reported sightings they felt safe.

They stopped at a newsstand, which emitted a hologram newspaper with "KING TUNA SHOT DOWN BY EARTHLINGS, MEENA WANTS WAR!" headlines.

"Prince Luna brings deadly creatures here to our home and now King Tuna's shot down by Earthlings? What's going on with our peaceful world?" a male Neileon asked.

"Poor King Tuna! What do you think the Earthlings will do with him?" a female Neileon asked and looked concerned.

"Eat him?" a young boy Neileon answered.

"I heard that Earthling will dissect creatures from other planets," a young woman said and looked scared.

All the female Neileons eyes crossed and they fainted and dropped to the sidewalk.

Some male Neileons saw the females fainted on the sidewalk. Then their eyes crossed and they fainted and they dropped to the sidewalk.

All the surrounding Neileons rushed over to their aid.

Inside Meena's office, he sat behind his desk and read some paperwork with the crown near him.

Boe, Burpy and Dopey entered looking exhausted.

"Boss. We've searched and searched and we haven't found them yet. But everybody's on the lookout," Boe told Meena.

"Can we get some sleep now?" Burpy burped out. They all yawned.

Meena got mad. "NO! You'll keep on searching until you find him!" Meena ordered.

Boe, Burpy and Dopey slowly walked out of Meena's office dead tired.

Chapter 11

Later that night, the Neileon military base was quiet.

The perimeter of the base was completely surrounded by a wire fence with sharp razor blades that resembled a barbed wire fence from Earth. Even though there wasn't high crime on Neileon, Meena insisted on this type of fence so he would feel superior.

High up in the sky above one section of fence, Luna and the Surfers surfed down with the Dreamers clinging on to the Surfers legs for dear life with eyes closed.

"I hate these things!" Putty muttered quietly to himself, as he decided to tag along because staying up on that mountain ledge alone was even scarier.

They landed near the barbed wire perimeter fence, which had some woods near it.

Luna jumped off his board with the Dreamers still clinging to his legs for dear life. "You can get off now," Luna tells the Dreamers.

They cautiously opened their eyes, see the ground, and quickly let go of the surfer's legs and looked relieved.

The Surfers looked at Luna. "We'll meet you back here with a Holophone," Lorge told Luna.

The Surfers jumped back on their sky boards and surfed back up into the sky and away.

Luna grabbed his sky board and ran with it into the woods.

Inside the woods, he stashed his sky board into a bush. Then he ran back to the Dreamers.

"Okay Touché, you're on," Luna said.

The Dreamers looked at the barbed wire fence, then at the dirt path that the fence under the fence. They all eyed Touché. He knew what this meant from the meeting they had with Luna on the ledge.

"I'm sorry. I can't do it - I just can't. My owner Leslie will give me a bath again - I hate baths!" Touché cried out with a nervous look.

The Dreamers pleaded with their eyes.

Touché saw Luna's pleading eyes.

"We can't start our rescue mission without your skill," Luna pleaded with Touché.

He looked at everybody. He looked at the dirt.

Then he looked at Luna's brave look and then he thought about the Duke Skywalker and Touché suddenly got brave. "I'll do it!" he said and puffed out his chest.

Touché rushed over and started digging a hole with his front paws. He dug fast and dirt flew back on Luna and the Dreamers. He dug a hole and dug under the fence.

Dirt flew faster at Luna and the Dreamers and covered them. It wasn't too long before there were six piles of dirt. One covered Luna and five that covered each of the Dreamers.

Touché's ears perked up when he heard the whirl of a vehicle. "Shhh! Someone's coming!" Touché warned everybody from in the hole he dug under the fence.

They all remained still as Touché crouched down in the hole.

Inside the military base, a Jeep hovercraft, with two soldiers inside hovered about twenty feet from the fence and hole and stopped.

The Jeep stopped and a soldier looked at the fence just as a search light passed along the top of the barbed wire fence. The light illuminated the upper halve of Luna's dirt mound.

"Those ants are back again," the one soldier said.

"Yeah, look at those six ant piles. They're huge. We better get the exterminator out here at sunrise," the other soldier commented to his partner who nodded his head in agreement.

The soldier hovered away in the Jeep.

On the other side of that fence, Luna's one eye opened and became visible in the pile of dirt. He looked around. "They're gone," he told everybody.

They all shook and brushed the dirt off their bodies.

They rushed over to the hole under the fence.

They all took turns and crawled in the hole and snuck into the base

Inside Meena's residence, a guard stood by a closed door. His eyes slowly closed and his body swayed. He almost fell over. He woke up and regained his composure. He was so close to falling asleep.

Meena walked down the hallway carrying his crown under one arm. He stopped at the guard, who snapped to attention and saluted.

"I'm going to bed and nobody, I mean nobody's allowed in her room," Meena instructed the guard.

"Yes sir," the guard said and followed up with a salute.

He watched while Meena walked down the hallway and turned down another hallway and went out of sight. The guard placed his arm back down and slowly closed his eyes.

In another section of the military base, Luna and the Dreamers ran along the back of a building.

Luna suddenly stopped. "Freeze!" he warned everyone.

The Dreamers piled up and stayed frozen in a heap while a searchlight passed along the ground and missed them by inches.

"It's safe," Luna motioned for them to continue.

Luna and the Dreamers peeked around the side of the building and saw Meena's residence across the street with two guards at the front door. At the front door of Meena's residence, two guards stood with their eyes slowly closing. They didn't see Luna sneak across the street, and then he ran down the side of their building. They opened their eyes but they were too sleepy so their eyes slowly closed shut. They didn't see the Dreamers sneak across the street, and then ran down the side of their building.

Meena was sound asleep inside his bedroom. He had one arm around the crown and his other arm around a toy alien creature. He slept with a smile while he had a dream.

In Meena's dream, he had King Tuna's Palace torn down and he had a new Palace built. It was three times larger as the old Palace. He had Sona as his Queen and just changed the name of their planet to Meena.

Meena was now King of the Universe as he just conquered Earth and had so many weapons of mass destructions that all the other planets surrendered. He even had a new crown made and was more flasher than King Tuna's old crown.

He was living the good life.

The Holophone on Meena's bedside table bee booped and woke him out of his dream.

Meena opened his sleepy eyes while a hologram of a Soldier emitted from it.

"General Meena, someone broke into the base," said the soldier hologram.

Meena yawned. "That's nice private," he replied without a clue what the soldier's message meant. All he wanted wad to return to his dream.

Meena reached over and slapped a button and the hologram disappeared.

Meena closed his eyes. Then a few seconds later, they opened wide and it dawned on him what the soldier told him. He jumped out of bed holding the crown and his bedtime toy. He wore new PJs that had little crowns all over them.

He ran over to a dresser and opened up a drawer. He removed numerous pairs of underwear then placed the crown inside the drawer. He kissed his toy, which squeaked and placed it inside the drawer. He covered them with his underwear and slammed the drawer shut.

He didn't notice one of the guards that watched from the doorway. The guard rolled his eyes thinking Meena was weird. The guard saw Meena move to turn around so he quickly ran down the hallway.

Meena stormed out of his room.

Outside at the rear of Meena's residence, Luna stood on his tippy toes and peeked into Meena's bedroom. He saw it was clear of Meena. He rushed over to another window and peeked inside Meena's office. It was clear of Meena.

"He's not in the building," Luna told everybody.

Outside the front entrance of Meena's residence, the two guards drifted off to sleep. Then the front door slammed opened with a bang and they jumped up awake.

Meena stormed out of the door and stopped at the guards. "You're on triple high alert as those Earth creatures are on base," Meena said.

"Yes sir!" the guards snapped back in unison.

He rushed off down the street.

At the rear of the Meena's residence, Luna and the Dreamers tried to open a window at the back of Meena's office.

"It won't open," Luna said then thought how he could get inside. He looked at Wally's tail and had an idea.

"How strong is your tail Wally?"

"Very strong," Wally responded while he wagged his tail.

Luna smiled while he picked up Wally, who looked curious as to what he had planned.

Luna held Wally parallel to the window. "Give the window glass a good whack," Luna instructed.

Wally looked at the window then understood what Luna wanted. He swung his tail around and gave the window a good whack. The window glass shattered.

Luna placed Wally through the window and let him drop to the floor Meena's bedroom.

Then Luna lifted up Bugsy and set him inside the window.

Luna did that for the rest of the Dreamers.

Luna and the Dreamers stood inside Meena's office.

They ran out of the office and into a hallway where they stopped dead in their tracks the second they saw the guard. But the guard they saw leaned against the wall by a door and was sound asleep. He swayed a bit.

Luna thought for a second. He looked down at Slither and the Dreamers then got an idea. He motioned them into a huddle where they quietly talked. The huddle broke up.

Slither quickly slithered out of the room and went down the hallway to the sleeping guard.

Slither wrapped his body around the guard's ankles then tightened.

Luna stepped into Meena's office out of view of the guard.

"General Meena!" Luna yelled out.

The guard woke in a panic afraid of the wrath of Meena if he was caught sleeping. He looked down the hallway for Meena and instead, he saw the Dreamers. His eyes widen with fear.

"Earth creatures!" he cried out in a panic and tried to run away. But Slither's grip around his ankles caused him to fall flat on he face knocking him out.

Luna ran out of Meena's office.

He and the Dreamers ran to that door. Luna stepped back and body slammed the door. It didn't open. He stepped back and body slammed with his shoulder. The door didn't open. Luna rubbed his shoulder in pain. He looked at the Dreamers and they figured out what he wanted. They all took a couple of step back to the wall.

Inside that room, Sona sat on a bed scared at the sound of someone banging into the door.

The door slammed opened and Sona freaked out. "Ahhh!" she screamed out in fear.

She saw the Dreamers while they tumbled into the room. She didn't see Luna amongst them. "Aliens!" she screamed out louder while she stood up on her bed.

Luna got up and ran over to the bed and quickly covered, her mouth. "Sona! It's okay. They're my friends from Earth who helped me come home. They won't hurt you," Luna comforted her.

Sona saw Luna and calmed down. She looked relieved and hugged him tight. "I thought I'd never see you again," she said while her eyes welled up.

They sat down on the bed.

The Dreamers smiled at this loving moment.

Luna got off the bed and grabbed Sona's hand.

"We're getting you out of here," he said.

Sona quickly got off the bed.

They all ran out of the room.

At the back of the building by Meena's broken office window, Luna assisted all the Dreamers out of the window and back to the ground. He then assisted Sona of the window. Then he got out.

"Let's get out of here before Meena finds out," he told everybody outside.

They all ran away.

Moments later at the area of the fence they snuck under.

Luna held Sona's hands while they with the Dreamers ran to that section of fence and hole.

The got to the fence and took turns crawling through the hole that Touché dug.

Stinker was the last one to crawl through the hole. They stood and looked happy they made it free and clear. They started to run away when someone came out of the woods.

"Did you think you can stop me from being King by stealing my Queen?" Meena's voice surprised them.

They turned around and saw Meena in PJs, with Boe, Burpy and Dopey by his side. The three goofs had laser pistols aimed at them.

Meena rushed over and grabbed Bugsy by his ears. He lifted him up and pressed his laser pistol into Bugsy's head. "Arrest them all!" Meena ordered.

Boe walked over and slammed Luna into the ground with his boot and handcuffed him.

Dopey walked over and slammed Sona into the ground with his boot and handcuffed her.

Luna got pissed and tried to squirm away from Boe, who pressed his boot harder into Luna's back, which caused him pain. Luna stopped.

Touché, Stinker, Putty, Slither and Wally all ran around while Burpy chased after them.

Burpy tried to grab Slither but he was too evasive so Burpy fell flat on his face. He got up and tried to catch Touché but fell flat on his face. He got up frustrated and saw Wally. He dove after him and grabbed Wally's tail the second he landed on the ground. Wally couldn't slip away

Touché, Stinker, Putty and Slither all ran into the woods.

Meena got upset. "Let's go! I'll send out Squad Beano to hunt down the rest of them. They'll be perfect experiments for my new laser weapons," he told Boe, Burpy and Dopey.

Touché, Stinker and Putty ran deep into the woods scared to death. Slither followed.

Meena held Bugsy by his ears.

Boe pointed his laser pistol into Luna's head.

Dopey pointed laser pistol in Sona's head and Burpy held a scared Wally upside down by his tail with his laser pistol aimed at his head.

Way up in the night sky, the Surfers surfed down toward the fence on their sky boards with Lon holding a Holophone. They look down at the military base and saw Meena, Boe and Burpy escorting Luna, Sona, Wally and Bugsy away.

"Big trouble. Let's get back home," Lon told the others.

They nodded in agreement and surf up and away into the sky.

Touché, Putty, Stinker and Slither cautiously came out of the woods by the fence where Meena caught them. They looked around and saw they're all alone and got scared.

"What do we do now?" Stinker asked.

"The only place to go is that hut, but how do we get there?" Touché replied.

"I don't want to be an experiment!" said Putty with a scared to death look.

"Me neither," Slither added.

Then the whirl of an approaching vehicle was heard then its headlights became visible. They looked around and saw a bush nearby. They rushed over and jumped into it and hid.

A Jeep hovercraft with two soldiers from Squad Beano, inside hovered close to that bush and stopped. The two soldiers got out and left the hovercraft running. They grabbed two laser weapons from the rear of the Jeep and ran off into the woods searching for the Dreamers.

Touché's head poked out of the bush and looked the area over. "Let's make a run for it now," he told everybody.

They all got out of the bush and quickly got inside the Jeep. The rest of the Dreamers looked at Touché behind the controls. They looked nervous but realized they didn't have a choice.

Touché moved the control stick on the Jeep. It lunged forward. Then it lunged backwards. Then it raced forward and it hovered widely away.

Ten minutes later, the two soldiers came out of the woods.

"Where's our Jeep?" the one soldier said.

The other one scratched his head. "I don't know," he replied.

"How are we going to explain this to General Meena?" the old soldier asked with fear in his eyes.

"We don't report it was stolen. We'll tell him we walked to this area," the other soldier replied.

The other soldier nodded in agreement then they walked away.

Chapter 12

Neileonville looked nice and quiet while numerous hovercraft vehicles carefully hovered down Neileonville Parkway.

The Neileons walked down the sidewalk along the buildings and felt they were safe from the dangerous Earth creatures.

There was a fast whirl and the sound of creatures screaming.

The Dreamers Jeep hovered into view way down Neileonville Parkway.

It hovered wildly all over the street with the Dreamers screaming.

The Neileons saw this and got scared. They dove for cover after the Jeep came inches from smacking into them.

"It's those Earth creatures!" a scared female Neileon said from behind a parked hover car.

All the Neileons stood up and watched while the Jeep hovered wildly down the street and lightly banged into other parked hover cars.

Later that day, it was quiet at the mountain ledge.

The quietness was interrupted by the sound of the whirl of the Jeep coming up from that trail.

The Jeep's headlights were visible from the trail with the Dreamers screaming.

The Surfers run out of the hut wondering what was wrong. They looked at the trail and saw the Jeep fly out of the trail.

The Jeep did a loop-d-loop that caused the scared to death Dreamers to fall out and tumble to the ground. The Surfers quickly ran over and caught the Dreamers before they slammed hit ground. The Jeep flew off by itself fifty feet in the air to the trail by the hut. Then it took a nose dive into the vegetation off to the side of the trail and disappeared.

Then there was the faint sound when it crashed.

The Surfers put the scared Gang down then heard the faint of and explosion coming from down below when the Jeep slammed into the ground.

"Luna, Sona, Wally and Bugsy got arrested!" Touché told Lon with worried eyes.

"We know. We saw it from up in the air," Saul responded.

"What do we do now?" Stinker asked.

"Try to contact King Tuna," Lon told everybody.

The Dreamers watched while Lon ran into the hut. He came back out with a Holophone and set it on the ground by everybody. He pressed a button on it and watched as a hologram of static TV snow emitted from it.

"King Tuna. Come in King Tuna," Lon spoke into the Holophone. Nothing but static TV snow still emitted from it.

"Great. We lost King Tuna, now what?" Bingo asked.

Everybody thought for a few seconds then Touché eyes lit as he had an idea.

"We do what they do on TV. We do a jail break!" Touché yelled everybody with strong conviction.

They thought for a second and then everybody nodded in agreement as they realized they didn't have any other choice.

"If we get caught, we'll be experiments! Just like Wally and Bugsy. No! I'm not going!" Putty said with scared eyes.

"That's another reason why we need to rescue them!" Stinker told Putty.

Everybody looked at Putty.

"Can't I stay here?" Putty pleaded.

"If I...were the King... Of the Forrreeest..." Touché, Slither and Stinker both sing simultaneously like they were from the Wizard of Oz.

That didn't work as Putty walked away to the trail and stopped.

Bingo looked concerned with Putty so he walked over to and placed his arm around him.

"Putty, I'm also afraid, but my friends need me and I can't let them down. My future King needs me!" said Bingo in a comforting tone.

Putty thought about his comment for a few seconds.

"Plus you'll have the best feeling in the world after this is over knowing you saved your friends life. If you stay here, you'll have to live with the feeling that you were a chicken for the rest of your life. And I don't think you want to be a chicken for the rest of your life," Bingo added.

Putty thought about his added comment and started to feel a little brave. He smiled and puffed out his chest.

"No! I'm a Putty cat and I would, woof, and I would woof," Putty sang out loud like he's on the Wizard of Oz. He turned around and looked brave at the Dreamers. "Let's rescue them!" he told everybody.

"Great! But how can we get on base?" Stinker asked.

"Yeah. They'll be looking for us," Touché added.

Lorge thought for a second then reached in his pants pocket and removed a brochure. He looked at it and his eyes lit up with an idea. "I know how!" Lorge told everybody then he held out the brochure of an antique spaceship show.

They looked at it but didn't understand how it could be the answer to getting their friends out of jail. Lorge could sense they couldn't make the connection.

"Well, I'm thinking that there's always soldiers who attend these antique spaceship shows. So if we my chance get some of their uniforms, we could easily waltz on the base," Lorge told them.

The rest of the Surfers and the Dreamers thought about his proposal. Then they all nodded in agreement that this was their best solution.

"Good, now here's our plan on getting their uniforms," Lorge told everybody while he motioned that they get in a huddle.

Meanwhile, back in a jail cell on the military base, Luna sat on a bed directly under a barred window. Sona lay next to Luna and used his legs as a pillow.

Bugsy sat by the bed while Sona rubbed his head, comforting him.

Luna played a blues song on his weird looking harmonica.

Wally lay on the floor by the cell bars. "How dry I am, how wet I'll be, if I become, an escapee!" Wally sang out in a bluesy tune along with Luna's harmonica playing. Clang! Clang! Clang! Wally ran his tail back and forth across the bars.

From the sky, the Surfers surfed thru some clouds with the Dreamers on their boards that all had their eyes closed. Slither was wrapped around Lon's right ankle.

They surfed down to the woods surrounding a clearing where the antique spaceship show was in progress.

When they got closer to the clearing, the Dreamers opened their eyes and looked braver.

The Surfers landed and everybody stepped off.

"Are you sure this will work?" Putty asked Lorge.

"You bet! They love these shows," he answered while they rushed off through the woods.

Meanwhile planet Deserta was nothing but desert sand, some rocky mountains with clear blue sky and a hot blazing sun. King Tuna's limo was stuck with its front end buried in the desert and back end up, which created some shade under it.

Albie sat under the Limo in the shade.

King Tuna paced outside in the hot sun while he drunk from a container. He reached down and handed the container to Albie.

"The ship's engine is dead. No communications and nothing works," Albie said to King Tuna while he took a drink.

"I thought you had the limo serviced?" King Tuna added.

"I did sir, last week," Albie responded.

King Tuna looked up at the sky, upset. "Luna! My dear son!" King Tuna wiped tears from his eyes.

Back on Neileon in the clearing in the woods, there were numerous spaceships parked in rows for viewing at the annual Neileon antique spaceship show. Some of them had features that resemble antique cars from Earth. Hundreds of Neileons wandered around admiring these classics.

At the back row of some spaceships by the woods, the Surfers and the Dreamers poked their heads around some trees.

"Let's go," Lon said.

They stepped away but Touché's ears perked up. "Wait, someone is coming," he called out.

They stepped back behind those trees when they saw a male Neileon with a pot belly and his wife walk near the Surfers and the Dreamers.

The male drooled over the sight of this spaceship which was a sleek two seater with 1962 Corvette features. His wife could care less.

"Look honey! Isn't she pretty? I've wanted one of these ever since I was a kid," he told her.

She looked at the spaceship and got upset. "Well, I've always wanted a space knight in a shiny spacesuit and look what I got," she responded and walks away.

The male realized he said the wrong thing and ran after her. "I mean I've always wanted you honey," the man said while he ran up to his wife.

Touché, Putty, Stinker, Slither and the Surfers snuck up to the back of that corvette looking spaceship. They crouched down behind it.

"The coast is finally clear," Lon told everybody.

"Go to the front and do your thing Slither," Lorge told him.

Slither nodded in agreement indicating he understood.

He slithered to the front of the corvette spaceship. He looked around.

Then four minutes later, he saw four Soldiers walking down the aisle toward him.

From the back of that spaceship, they all saw Slither's tail raise up in the air and shook with the signal.

Slither wrapped his tail around a piece of that Corvette spaceship. He slithered through the grass to the backend of the spaceship in front of him. He wrapped his head around a piece of it then stretched and tightened his body like a taunt rope.

Those four Soldiers walked and admired the spaceships on both sides of that aisle. They didn't see Slither and tripped over him and fell face first to the ground.

Lon, Saul, Lorge and Bingo quickly appeared and dragged them away to the woods.

In the woods, the soldiers looked scared to death when they saw Touché, Putty, and Stinker.

"Earth creatures!" one of the soldiers said and shook in fear.

Touché snarled at the soldiers.

"Remove your uniforms," Lon ordered.

The four soldiers quickly undressed.

A few minutes passed and Lon, Saul, Lorge and Bingo walked out of the woods wearing those Soldiers' uniforms. They all four had pouchy bellies from where the Dreamers hid.

They walked down a path between rows of antique spaceships. They walked past the Apollo capsule where an orange Alien from another planet admired it.

The Surfers walked out of the field of antique spaceships toward the woods. Putty's head stuck out of Lon's shirt for a peek then Lon pushed his head back inside.

The Surfers ran into the woods.

A few minutes later, the Surfers surfed out of the woods on their sky boards.

They sky surfed over to the military base. Then they surfed down to some woods near the front security gate.

They get off their sky boards and stuffed them behind some big bushes.

They rushed off through the woods.

Five minutes later, the Surfers walked down the street and headed to the front gate of the base. When they got closer, they got nervous.

"Are you sure we can pull this off?" Bingo asked.

"Yeah, it sounded good when he first talked about it, but now that we're almost there, I'm a little scared," Saul added."

"Yeah, I don't think we can pull this off," Putty said from behind Saul's army shirt.

"We have to try, as we can't let our friends rot in jail," Lon replied with a tone of confidence they were going to pull off this heroic act.

The Surfers all got quiet while they got closer to the front gate of the base where there was a guard shack.

A few minutes later, the Surfers walked up to the guard gate where a mean looking Sergeant with a huge big crooked nose and crew cut stepped out of the guard shack.

The Sergeant held up a hand. "Halt!" he demanded with a stern look.

The Surfers stopped and cringed thinking they were caught.

The Sergeant looked the Surfers over, which made them nervous. "You Privates are a little pouchy!" the Sergeant yelled at them like a drill instructor.

They look at their pouchy bellies and got even more nervous.

"Report to the gym immediately!" he yelled.

The Surfers nodded their heads agreement and that pissed off the Sergeant.

"I can't heeaarr you!" the Sergeant yelled with a Marine drill instructor tone.

"Ah...thank you," Lorge responded.

His response made the Sergeant fuming mad.

Bingo figured it out and saluted. "Yes sir!" Bingo responded like a soldier.

Lon, Saul and Lorge saw Bingo and they saluted and all took off running while the Sergeant watched them with suspicious eyes.

Later on, the Surfers walked down a quiet street on the military base.

They walked past a newsstand with a hologram newspaper with "KING TUNA HELD PRISONER ON EARTH, MEENA WANTS WAR!" headlines.

They got a curious look on their faces. They stopped, walk back over and read hologram.

"Privates! What are you doing?" bellowed Meena's voice from behind them.

They turned around and saw Meena standing behind them and he was mad.

"Reading the news sir," Lorge responded.

"We're going on practice alert tomorrow, so you better, get to work!" Meena screamed at them.

Lon, Saul, Lorge and Bingo jumped up startled and took off running while Meena watched them.

Then Meena got a "Do I know them" look on his face, but shrugged it off and walked away.

The Surfers ran through numerous streets of the base and eventually ran to the back of the jail building.

They looked around and saw that the coast was clear. "Let's do this," Lon told everybody.

The Dreamers all get out of the Surfers military shirts and dropped to the ground. They all looked up at the row of barred cell windows.

"I wonder which one they're in?" Putty asked.

They all looked at the windows.

Then Touché's ears perked up. "Shhh! Someone's coming," he cautioned everybody.

The Dreamers looked around and saw a bush near them.

They ran over to it and jumped inside and hid.

The Surfers looked around and saw that the front gate Sergeant walked around the corner of the building.

The Sergeant saw the Surfers and got mad while he walked up to them with clinched fists. "What are you doing?" the Sergeant yelled.

"Ahh, we're, ah," Lorge stuttered.

The Sergeant looked at their uniforms. "I see that you lost that flab."

The Surfers looked down at their flatter tummies. They didn't how to respond so they all saluted.

"Good. I want you to work at the front gate," the Sergeant barked out.

"I don't think we can do that," Bingo replied.

The Sergeant got red faced furious and jumped into their faces. "Disobey an order? I'll have you in prison!" the Sergeant screamed while he sprayed spit on their faces.

The Surfers ran away wiping off the Sergeant's spit from their faces.

The Sergeant ran after them.

Meanwhile, it was night back on Earth in Port St. John, Leslie and Scooter walked the streets.

"Touché'! Come home Touché'!" Leslie cried out into quiet neighborhood.

Nothing. Her eyes welled up and Scooter placed an arm around her for comfort. For the first time, he really missed that poodle.

The continued to search the streets of Port. St. John.

Chapter 13

Back on Neileon, Touché, Stinker, Putty and Slither all poked their heads out of that nearby bush and looked around. They saw that the coast was clear.

They get out and ran over to the building of the jail wall and looked worried.

"What do we do now with the Surfers gone?" Stinker asked.

Touché looked at the barred windows. Then he looked around the area and saw a big tow truck hovercraft with a back boom and hook sitting in a parking lot fifty feet from the bush.

He looked at the barred windows and looked back at the tow truck. His eyes lit up with an idea.

"I know! We can use that tow truck to pull the window out of the wall, then they can escape," Touché told them all excited and then he pointed at the truck.

Putty, Stinker and Slither looked at the truck then shook their heads.

"I don't know. Your success rate with driving isn't very good," Putty responded.

Stinker and Slither both nodded their heads indicating they agreed.

Touché looked up at the barred windows then got extremely confident he could pull this off and puffed out his chest. "I can do it! I know I can!" Touché told them.

"But which window?" Slither asked. They all looked up at the barred windows.

Inside their jail cell, Luna still sat on the bed depressed.

Sona lay asleep on the bed and Bugsy was by her side.

Wally lay in the middle of the room on the floor and dreamt of a nice creek full of water.

Then Putty's voice was heard coming from outside. "Luna!"

Then Stinker's voice was heard from outside. "Bugsy!"

Luna, Wally and Bugsy's eyes all lit up over hearing those familiar voices that came from outside their window.

Luna quickly stood up on the bed and looked out the barred window. He saw Touché, Putty, Stinker and Slither outside. He stuck his hand through the bars ad waved at him. They waved back.

From outside the jail cell, they saw Luna peek through the barred windows.

"We're going to bust you out!" Touché told them.

"Yeah. Touché's gonna drive a truck, so you better get far away from that wall as you can. I mean really far away," Stinker warned them.

From inside the jail cell, Luna jumped off the bed.

"Hurry, everybody to the bars while they try to break us out by having Touché drive a truck," he told everybody.

Wally and Bugsy knew exactly what that meant and they quickly ran to the other end of the cell.

Sona didn't get it so Luna grabbed her hand and rushed her over to the cell bars.

"What's the matter?" she asked, as she was still sleepy and a little dazed.

"My Earth friends are going to break us out," he told her.

She looked happy while she stood next to Luna at the cell door.

Outside the jail building, Touché, Stinker, Slither and Putty quickly ran to the tow truck.

But when they got within twenty-five feet of the truck, Touché's saw two soldiers walking by it. "Hide," he cried out.

The other Dreamers eyes widened with fear when they saw the soldiers. They dove into another bush.

They poked their heads out and looked at the tow truck. They saw the soldiers were gone. They got out of the bush and ran over to the tow truck. They quickly climbed up and quickly got inside.

Inside the tow truck, Touché sat in the drivers' seat at the controls. Stinker, Putty and Slither sat next to him and they all looked clueless at the fancy controls.

Touché started pressing buttons then all the Dreamers join in. Nothing. Then Putty got curious and saw a strange looking pad on the floorboard. He reached down and picked it up. He looked at it.

"I wonder how you turn this thing on," he said while he looked the strange pad over.

Then the pad suddenly turned on.

"Wow," said Stinker.

"I wonder how this tow truck turns on?" Slither said while he looked at the pad.

Then a hologram from the console appeared. It showed a toggle type of switch and showed it being flipped.

Putty flipped that toggle switch on the console.

The tow truck started up with a whirl.

Touché, Stinker and Putty all high pawed each other.

"How do you drive this tow truck?" Touché said into the pad.

The hologram on the pad appeared and showed the joystick on the console and the different movements required to drive the truck.

In that parking lot, the tow truck lunged forward then stopped suddenly. It lunged forward then stopped suddenly. Then it accelerated forward and performed a 360-degree turn.

It raced backwards. Touché, Putty, Stinker and Slither were all screaming from inside the truck while it raced to the wall of the jail building.

The tow truck turned sideways and slammed into the wall causing the wall to crack, but not fall. The impact of slamming into the wall caused the tow truck to bounce off and it spun around four times with Touché, Putty, Stinker and Slither screaming for their lives.

Then the tow truck stopped suddenly with the boom and hook facing the barred window. The hook swung around. The tow truck settled.

Touché, Putty, Stinker and Slither all got out of the truck.

Slither slithered up the boom and to the hook, which stopped swinging. He wrapped part of his body around the tip of the hook. He moved his head in the air and stuck straight out at the barred windows. "Psst! Luna," said Slither at the window.

Luna's head appeared in the barred window and saw Slither straight in the air pointing at him. Luna reached out and grabbed Slither's head. He pulled and stretched Slither's body. The hook moved closer to the bars.

Luna pulled harder and stretched Slither's body more causing his eyes to bug out. The hook moved to the bars.

Luna quickly reached with his other arm and grabbed the hook and connected it to the bars.

He let go of Slither who hung down from the hook limp.

Slither dropped to the ground completely exhausted.

Touché, Putty, and Stinker got inside the tow truck.

The tow truck lunged forward twenty feet.

The barred window and part of the wall came crashing down with a big dust cloud. The dust

disappeared and Sona, Luna, Wally and Bugsy all jumped out from the hole to the ground.

They all run to the tow truck.

They got inside the truck with Luna at the controls.

Back at the guard gate, the Surfers stood by the guard shack.

They watched while two soldiers approached the gate.

The two soldiers stopped at the gate.

"We're going out for a night on the town," one of the soldiers told the Surfers.

The Surfers looked at the two soldiers who waited for a response.

Lon sensed that a response was required. "Good. Stay out as late as you want," he replied.

The two soldiers eyes lit up with joy, as they've never had a guard respond with that order.

They took off running away looking forward for a night of fun.

The Surfers watched the two soldiers then looked around and saw nobody else was in sight.

"How much longer are we going to play this stupid soldiers game?" Saul asked.

"I hate this uniform!" said Bingo.

"You got that right!" said Lorge in agreement.

"The heck with that Sergeant, we really need to get back and help Putty and the others!" Lon responded.

Saul, Bingo and Lorge all nodded in agreement.

They quickly removed those uniforms and dumped them by the guard shack.

They ran back into the base.

Inside that tow truck, Luna worked the controls; Sona sat by his side and the Dreamers all next to her while Luna drove the tow truck down the street.

From the truck's windshield, they saw the Surfers while they ran down the street straight at them.

Putty's eyes lit up. "There's Lon, Saul, Lorge and Bingo," he cried out while he pointed at the windshield.

Luna stopped the truck and stuck his head out his window.

They saw Luna's head out the window and smiled.

"You made it!" said Lon from outside the truck. "Hurry up and get inside," Luna told them.

The Surfers ran over and got inside.

"Let's get out of this dump," Lon said.

Luna drove the tow truck toward the front gate.

The guard gate was unoccupied while the tow truck raced through the gate.

In another section of the military base, Meena, Boe, Burpy and Dopey walked around one of the streets.

"Soon I'll be King and this whole universe will be mine, all mine," Meena reminded them with a greedy look while he stared up at the sky.

Sirens blared all over the base.

Meena stopped dead in his tracks over hearing them.

Boe bumped into him, Burpy bumped into Boe and Dopey bumped into Burpy. Meena pushed Boe off him, which caused Boe, Burpy and Dopey to fall to the ground.

Meena looked around worried while those sirens blared. "This doesn't sound good," said Meena.

He hurriedly rushed away.

Boe, Burpy and Dopey all got up and ran after Meena.

Inside the tow truck, Luna drove down the street away from the base. They were all squeezed inside.

"Oh Luna, we got bad news. They're now saying your father's held prisoner on Earth," said Lon.

Luna thought about it then got mad. "Just another Meena fib! But I wonder what really happened to father?" Luna wondered.

"I don't know. We tried to contact him on the Holophone, but got nothing but static," Bingo told him. Luna looked upset as he pondered the situation.

While the tow truck raced down the street. It passed by those four soldiers, from the spacecraft show who walked in their underwear. They looked worried on how they were going to explain losing their uniforms at an antique spaceship show.

Inside the tow truck, Luna continued to drive then got a brave look on his face. "I'm alone on this one. It's now up to me to stop Meena!" said Luna.

The Surfers and the Dreamers looked at Luna.

"No. It's up to all of us!" Bugsy told Luna.

The Surfers and the Dreamers all join hands and paws on top of each other. Luna saw them and reached over and placed his hand on top.

"Friends" they all simultaneously sang out.

Sona proudly smiled while she rested her head on Luna's shoulder.

Luna drove the tow truck to the edge of the woods.

He parked the truck and turned it off. They all jumped out and ran into the woods.

A few minutes, they were all crowed on the four sky boards and surfed up high into the sky.

Back at the base, Boe, Burpy and Dopey and two soldiers stood at the back of the jail building with Meena. They stared at the hole in the wall from Luna's cell.

Meena was furious! "I want twenty guards at my residence and I want Squad Chucky on standby," Meena barked out. Then he looked around and pondered his next move.

The Sergeant walked over from the corner of the building. He saw Meena and rushed over concerned.

"Sir, I heard the sirens. What happened?" the Sergeant asked.

Meena pointed to the hole in the jail wall. "That's what happened! My prisoners escaped!" Meena yelled out.

Then it dawned on Meena. "I thought I had you guarding the front gate?"

"Ah...I was. But I ordered four privates to guard it," the Sergeant replied nervous and shook a little with fear of Meena.

Then Meena saw that Mountain in the foreground and something about that sight got him really suspicious. Then his eyes lit up when he remembered. "Surfers, that's who those four soldiers were, Surfers! Binoculars!" yelled Meena.

A soldier removed a small pair of binoculars off his belt and handed it to Meena.

Meena looked and saw that Mountain through the binoculars. Then he saw Luna, Sona, the Surfers and the Dreamers sky surfing to the top of that mountain.

Meena gave the soldier his binoculars back.

"Did those privates have blue, orange, pink and green hair?" Meena asked while he glared at the Sergeant with fire in his eyes.

The Sergeant thought for a few seconds. "Yes sir."

"You dummy. They helped our prisoners escape," Meena yelled and ripped off the stripes off the Sergeant's uniform.

"You're now confined to working in the base kitchen," Meena ordered.

"Yes sir," the Sergeant replied with a salute and walked away like he wanted to cry over being demoted.

Meena looked at the other soldiers. "Have Major Buna of Squad Ducky call me immediately!" Meena ordered.

He stormed off.

Boe, Burpy who burped and Dopey saluted then run after him.

Chapter 14

Numerous Neileons walked up to that stand emitted a hologram newspaper with "PRINCE LUNA AND CREATURES SABOTAGE THE MILITARY BASE, GENERAL MEENA CALLS FOR LUNA'S IMMEDIATE ARREST!" headlines.

"And to think he was going to be our next King. We're lucky he's not!" said a male Neileon.

"Why is King Tuna allowing Luna to run amuck?" a female Neileon asked.

All the surrounding Neileons shook their heads in disbelief.

Way off in outer space near that black hole by Saturn, the Earth probe with attached Neileon probe flew over the rings of Saturn.

The probes turned and flew into the black hole.

Back on Neileon, Luna with Sona on a sky board surfed up to the mountain ledge. They landed near the hut and jumped off. Luna grabbed the sky board and ran it into the hut and stored it.

The rest of the Surfers with the Dreamers on sky boards surfed up to the ledge then landed near the hut and they all jumped off. They leaned their sky boards up against the hut.

Sona ran up to Luna who walked out of the hut. She gave him a huge hug.

"How can we stop Meena?" Luna said.

Everybody thought for a second, then Touché's eyes lit up with an idea.

"I know. The law!" said Touché all excited.

Everybody looked at Touché wondering what that meant and he could sense they weren't following him.

"Leslie's grandmother watched some human called Mack Forklock on TV. He used the law to help people out of trouble," Touché responded.

Luna paced around and thought about Touché's idea. "You know, that just might work, but the law library's closed," Luna told everybody.

Lon got an idea. "We'll take care of that," Lon offered.

"How?" Luna asked.

"We have a friend that works in the library," Lon replied.

"Yeah, Seetie. She's a good sky surfer," Bingo said.

"Great. Tell her we need a book called "Neileon Law,"" Luna told them.

The Surfers nodded in agreement then they rushed over to the hut and grabbed their sky boards.

With their sky boards in hand, they ran over to the ledge and jumped on their boards and sky surfed away.

Later on that day at the mountain ledge, Sona sat against the hut and combed Putty's fur while he relaxed.

Luna sat next to Sona with Stinker in his lap and he petted him.

Nearby, Bugsy and Touché played light sabers with sticks. Wally slept with Slither curled up on his back asleep.

They waited until the Surfers came back from the library.

The whirl of two spaceship engines was heard. Everybody's eyes widened with fear while they looked at the ledge.

"I don't like the sound of this," Luna said while he looked at the ledge.

Then two fighter spaceships, Neileon 4 and 5 suddenly flew up from below the ledge and hovered with big laser guns aimed at them.

They all jumped up.

Luna quickly shielded Sona from the fighters while the Dreamers were frozen with fear.

"Run!" Luna yelled out then grabbed Sona's hand and ran to the trail.

It suddenly dawned on the Dreamers to do the same. Glowing red laser beams fired from the spaceships.

The hut exploded into a huge fireball with debris

flying all over the area.

Luna, Sona and the Dreamers ran down the mountain trail fearful for their lives.

Laser beams hit the dirt on their heels.

More laser beams were fired and trees exploded into a fireball just behind them.

Everybody turned around and saw those spaceships hot on their tail about twenty feet up in the air while they ran down the trail.

Laser beams fired from the spaceships.

The trail ten feet behind them exploded and sent them all flying about forty feet into the air.

They all dropped down into a bunch of vegetation, which covered a huge hole in the ground.

They fell into the hole, which was the opening to an underground cave.

The underground cave was huge with vines that hung down from the ceiling and on the side of the walls. Just below the 20-foot drop from the opening was a small river with green water and sandy banks on both sides. On one bank, that Jeep that the Dreamers stole crashed into the sand.

Luna, Sona and the Dreamers dropped down to the green river.

Back up in the air above the hole, the two fighter spaceships circled around and fired numerous laser beams in the general area where they saw everybody dropped. A huge fire started. They circled around the entrance to the cave, but they didn't know there was a cave down below.

Inside Neileon 4, the pilot made a call to the military base.

"General Meena, this is Neileon four," the pilot said.

A hologram of Meena appeared from his console.

"Status report," Meena's hologram said.

"Yes sir, our Earth creatures and the criminals that assisted them are no longer a threat. I repeat. They are no longer a threat to our planet," the pilot said.

Meena's hologram had a huge grin and could see he had the crown in his hand.

"Good job Neileon four and five. Report back to base," Meena's hologram said.

The two fighters flew away.

Back in the cave, the Dreamers screamed when they see the green water down below them while they dropped.

Above them, fire could be seen at the hole.

"I can't swim!" Luna cried out seconds before he splashed into the water.

Wally's eyes lit up with joy.

Touché tried to climb upward he descended as he hated water as it reminded him of the baths Leslie would give him once a week.

Everybody else was okay with it while they all splashed into the river.

They all came up to the surface of the water.

Luna splashed around in a panic while gasping for air. He went under the water and Sona noticed.

Everybody else swam to the bank, not too far from the crashed Jeep, and got out of the water. They stood on the bank and looked at the river.

Sona didn't see Wally or Luna in the water and her stomach got upset thinking the worse had happened.

"Luna!" Sona screamed, which echoed in the cave.

Under the water, Wally looked around for Luna.

Then he saw Luna while he floated face downward to the bottom of the river. Wally raced after him and used his snout and rammed Luna's tummy and raced him up to the surface.

Sona and the rest of the Dreamers watched the river from the bank and were worried Luna wouldn't make it.

Then they saw Wally bring Luna back up to the surface by his snout.

Luna coughed up water and was alive.

"Hang on to me," Wally told him.

Luna placed an arm around Luna and swam him to the sandy bank where Sona ran into the water and assisted.

Luna lay on the bank and coughed up water.

Wally walked on the bank next to Luna. "I need to teach you how to swim," Wally told Luna.

The rest of the Dreamers walked over to Luna.

"That wasn't too bad. In fact, it was fun!" said Touché while he looked up at the hole at the ceiling of the cave. Then he shook his body and sprayed everybody with water.

A little later that day, the Surfers surfed up to the mountain ledge with Lon holding a "Neileon Law" book.

Then their eyes widen in shock when they saw their hut was a smoldering pile of ashes.

They landed and jumped off their sky boards and looked the area over.

"Where are they?" asked Lon with a look that he feared the worse had happened.

The other Surfers shrugged their shoulders indicating they don't know.

Then Bingo saw that the trail was burnt with smoldering vegetation.

"Looks like they ran down the trail," he suggested to everybody.

They all get on their sky boards and surfed down the trail.

The Surfers surfed farther down the trail and saw more burnt and smoldering vegetation.

Then the vegetation looked fresh.

The Surfers hovered above the trail and looked around.

Then Lorge's eyes lit up with a possibility. "Maybe Luna went down our secret escape path?" he said to everybody.

Lon looked in the area where there was a ring of smoldering vegetation. "I believe you are onto something," he said.

The Surfers surfed down into that hole in the ground.

A campfire was lit on the bank. Luna found some lighters inside the Jeep and some other material for burning. Plus they gathered up some wood and vines.

Sona. Putty, Stinker, Bugsy and Slither sat on the bank and stared at the river.

In the river, Luna and Touché swam with Wally by their side.

"That's it. You're both swimmers!"

Wally told Luna and Touché, who both looked proud while they swam around in the river.

Sona, Putty, Stinker and Bugsy all stood up.

"Good job, Luna," Sona cheered.

"Go Touché," Putty, Bugsy, Stinker and Slither yelled out.

Sona did the standard Neileon seal sounding cheer while she clapped her hands.

Putty, Stinker and Bugsy imitated her. Slither just made the seal sounds with a lisp.

The Surfers surfed down with Lorge holding that law book.

"Luna!" yelled Lon from up above when they saw him in the river.

Everybody looked up and saw the Surfers surfing down from the ceiling.

They all got excited while they watched the Surfers land on the sandy bank. The Surfers jumped off their sky boards, which hovered inches above the sand.

Everybody rushed over to the Surfers.

Luna, Wally and Touché swam over to the bank and got out of the water. They rushed over to the Surfers.

"What happened?" Lon asked.

"Meena knew we were up there on the mountain ledge and sent two fighters out to get rid of us," Luna replied.

"He destroyed our hut," Saul cried out.

"We know. He almost barbequed us with his laser beams," Bugsy said with a little fear in his eyes while he remembered the incident.

All the other Dreamers nodded in agreement.

"More the reason to put Meena in his place," Lorge added.

Everybody nodded in agreement.

"How can we do that?" Stinker asked.

Then Lorge remembered the book. "Here Luna. Our friend Seetie pulled through," he said then handed Luna the Neileon Law book.

Luna took the book and sat down by the campfire.

"There has to be an answer in here somewhere,"

Luna said while he opened up the book.

Everybody else relaxed around the campfire while Luna's head was buried in the law book.

Chapter 15

It was now nighttime up above the underground cave.

Down below, Luna sat around the campfire and read the "Neileon Law" book. Putty, Wally, Slither, Stinker, Sona, Lorge, Saul and Bingo all slept. The rest of them just lay on the sandy bank.

Then Luna's eyes lit up.

"I got it. I got it!" he cried.

That woke everybody up and they all rushed over to Luna's side.

"Okay, here's what the law states. If the first heir to the crown, meaning me, was illegally detained from being present at the initial ceremony, then the second heir, meaning Meena, is not entitled to take possession of the crown. But the first heir must physically present the crown along with evidence that he was illegally detained, to the Governing Council before the final ceremony. Then the first heir will be crowned King," Luna read from the book.

All the Dreamers and the Surfers looked confused.

"Ah, I really don't know what that means," Bugsy said while he scratched the top of his head.

"Yeah, I'm clueless," Stinker said.

"Me too," Bingo added.

"It means if we get the crown away from Meena and tell the Governing Council that he had me shot down on Earth before the final ceremony, then I can become King," Luna told the Dreamers and Surfers.

"Oh," they all replied as it finally made sense to them.

"But, they may not believe you," Slither said.

"That's where you guys can help. The Governing Council will be lieve me the minute they see you," he told them.

The Dreamers all looked at each other and felt important. Space heroes important!

"But I wonder where he hid the crown?" Luna said while he paced around the campfire.

Then Sona's eyes widened. "Wait. While I was locked in that room, I overheard one of the guards poking fun to the another guard about Meena hiding something in his underwear drawer," Sona told Luna.

Luna thought about the information she provided. Then his eyes lit up. "That's it!" he said and snapped his fingers. "We have no choice but to sneak back into the base and get that crown," Luna told everybody.

The Surfers and the Dreamers thought about Luna's comment.

"But, how do we get out of here?" Touché asked while he looked the cave over.

"This river leads back into the city" Lon told him.

"Can we all fit on your sky boards?" Stinker questioned.

"No problem. We can sneak back into town and borrow some more from the surf shop," Saul responded.

Luna looked around the cave and got an idea. "I think I know how we can get the crown. But I need something sharp," Luna told everybody.

The Surfer's reached in their pockets and pulled out pocket knives. "Good, now here's my plan," said Luna while he motioned everybody over into a huddle.

With his finger, he drew a house in the dirt with his finger.

"We fly up to the roof then we," Luna said while he started his briefing.

Later that evening, the Dreamers watched while the Surfers, Sona and Luna cut down numerous vines with the pocket knifes. They coiled up the vines.

"Okay, is everybody ready?" Luna asked while he placed a coiled up vine around his shoulder.

"I'm ready," said Bugsy.

"Me too," added Slither.

All the other Dreamers nodded in agreement along with the Surfers.

"Let's go," Luna said then walked into the river.

"We'll meet you where the river comes out of the cave at the base of the mountain," Lon told Luna.

The Surfers all placed the coiled vines around their shoulders. They ran over and jumped on their sky boards. They ascended up in the air and sky surfed down the river toward the cave opening.

Sona grabbed a coiled vine and placed it around her shoulder.

Sona and the Dreamers followed Luna into the river.

It was dark and quiet while Luna, Sona, and Dreamers swam down the river.

In outer space, the Earth probe with attached Neileon probe flew out of the black hole near the planet Deserta.

Twenty minutes later, Luna, Sona, and the Dreamers swam out of the cave opening with the coiled vines at the base of the mountain. They swam to the bank and got out of the water.

They waited on the bank in the darkness.

Twenty minutes later, the Surfers sky surfed down from the sky. Lorge and Saul both had extra sky boards under their arms. They landed on the bank.

"We got some boards," said Lon while the Surfers jumped off their sky boards.

Lorge handed Luna a board while Saul handed Sona a board.

Then Lon looked bothered. "Bad news Luna!" said Lon while he removed a small device and pressed a button.

Then a hologram newspaper emitted from the device with "PRINCE LUNA DEAD IN MOUNTAIN EXPLOSION ALONG WITH EARTH CREATURES -GENERAL MEENA GRIEVES AND CALLS FOR IMMEDIATE WAR WITH EARTH!" headlines.

Luna, Sona and the Dreamers all looked at the headlines.

"More Meena's lies," Luna said.

"We need one of those things back on Earth," Bugsy said.

The rest of the Dreamers all nodded in agreement.

Luna and Sona jumped on their sky boards with the coiled vine around their shoulders. "We better hurry and get my crown and give Meena some true grief," Luna said.

Sona jumped on her sky board with the coiled vine around her shoulder.

The Surfers all jumped back on their sky boards with coiled vines around their shoulders.

Bugsy jumped on Sona's board along with Stinker.

Slither slithered on Luna's board and wrapped around his ankle. Putty jumped onboard.

Touché jumped on Lorge's board.

Wally got up on Lon's board.

Luna, Sona and the Surfers sky surfed away and rose high up in the sky. For once, the Dreamers looked brave.

They all sky surfed high above Neileonville, which was quiet as everybody was asleep.

They then flew off toward the military base.

They sky surfed high over the military base and it looked quiet down below except for the two searchlights that searched the base from two towers.

Luna, Sona, Lon, Saul, Lorge and Bingo surfed down to the base.

The Surfers broke off and surfed down toward the flight line.

Luna and Sona surfed down toward a cluster of buildings in the center of the base.

At the flightline, the Surfers, with Wally and Touché surfed down out of the night sky and landed behind a hangar. They all jumped off the sky boards and leaned them up against the wall of the building.

"Okay, things look quiet around here," Lon said while he looked around and no soldiers were seen.

They all snuck over to the side of the hangar.

They all snuck down the side of the hangar. When they got to the corner, Lon peeked around and saw that the flightline was free of soldiers. They saw the eight fighter spaceships Neileon 4 through 11.

"The coast is clear," Lon told everybody.

They ran off toward the flightline with the coiled vines to eight fighter spaceships.

They got to the first fighter – Neileon 4. Lon tied one of the vines to one of the landing struts.

He ran over to Neileon 5 and tied the other end of the vine to one of the landing struts.

Wally ran with Lorge over to Neileon 6. They tied the other end of the vine to one of the landing struts.

They ran over to Neileon 7 and tied the other end of the vine to one of the landing struts.

Saul with Touché ran over to Neileon 8. They tied one end of his vine to one of the landing struts.

They ran over to Neileon 9 and tied the other end of the vine to one of the landing struts.

Bingo ran over to Neileon 10 and tied one end of his vine to one of the landing struts.

He ran over to Neileon 11 and tied the other end of the vine to one the landing struts.

The Surfers, Wally and Touché ran back to the hangar.

Up in the sky, Luna and Sona with Slither, Stinker, Bugsy and Putty, sky surfed down and quietly landed on Meena's flat residence roof.

The guards that walked around the building below didn't have a clue they landed on the roof.

They let their sky boards hover inches above the roof.

Luna looked around the roof for a way inside Meena's residence. Then he saw a big round horizontal opening for an air shaft. He pointed to it and they nodded they understood.

Luna and Sona held onto their coiled vines that hung from their shoulders while they all quietly walked over to that round opening.

They looked inside and see a big fan blade that rotated slowly, which sucked in outside air for ventilation inside Meena's residence.

Stinker, Bugsy and Putty saw the rotating blade and looked apprehensive.

"Will that cut us in half?" Putty asked very nervously.

"Smaller pieces if it hits you," Luna answered quietly.

Stinker, Bugsy and Putty swallowed hard and shook a little, as they were scared.

Luna took a breath for courage and watched the blade while they rotated. He saw his opportunity and ran into the opening and made it safely past the blades.

Inside the opening, he stopped behind the rotating blade.

"Okay Sona, I know you can do it," he called out.

Outside the opening, Sona took a couple of deep breaths and then watched the blades. She saw her opportunity and ran inside. She safely slipped past the blades.

She stood by Luna's side.

"Okay Stinker, Putty, Bugsy and Slither. It's your turn," Luna called out from the other side of the blades.

Stinker, Putty, Bugsy and Slither look at each other and wondered who would be brave and go next.

Bugsy took a deep breath and watched the rotating blades. He saw his opportunity and raced inside the opening. He made it safely past the blades. He looked so proud while he stood in front of Luna and Sona.

Slither, Stinker and Putty looked at each other and wondered who would be brave and be next or who would chicken out.

Slither looked at the blades. "Geronimo," he called out while he slithered into the opening and went under the blades and safely made it. He slithered over to Sona and curled up. "Come on guys. It's not that bad," he called out.

Stinker and Putty looked at each other and nodded their heads in agreement and immediately pumped their arms twice. Stinker did scissors and Putty did paper. Putty got nervous while he realized he lost. He looked at the rotating blade. He decided to get brave again and when the opportunity arrived, he closed his eyes and raced into the opening. Putty bumped into Luna and fell down. He opened his eyes in a panic thinking he hit one of the blades. But when he saw Luna standing over him, he jumped up ever so proud.

They watched while Stinker ran inside and made it past the blades. Putty high fived Stinker proud each other survived this dangerous moment.

"Okay, we need to head down this shaft," Luna told them.

They looked down the shaft and saw that the opening tapered down to a big HVAC type of duct.

Luna got on his hands and knees and crawled toward the duct.

Everybody else followed.

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Inside the HVAC duct, Luna and Sona with the coiled vines, Stinker, Bugsy, Putty and Slither crawled ever so quietly down the duct.

Then Luna stopped near a big round return air grill. "Scout please," said Luna quietly.

Slither slithered up to Luna and over to the return air grill.

Down below was Meena's bedroom, where he slept in his bed with his arms around his crown like it was a teddy bear.

Boe, Burpy and Dopey slept in chairs on the other side of the room, snoring with a strange sound.

In the ceiling, Slither's head poked out of the slots in the return air grill above Meena's bed. Slither looked around and saw Meena, Boe, Burpy and Dopey.

Slither's head went back into the duct.

Inside the HVAC duct, everybody waited for Slither's assessment.

"Everybody is sound asleep and Meena has the crown around his arms," he quietly told Luna.

"You're on Stinker," Luna quietly told him.

"Now remember, just act natural if you're in danger," Bugsy quietly reminded him.

Stinker nodded that he understood while he walked over to the return air grill.

Luna removed the coiled vines off his shoulders. He tied it around Stinker's body like a harness.

Inside Meena's the return air grill was quietly removed.

Then Stinker's was slowly lowered down to Meena by the vine.

Inside the HVAC duct, Luna, Sona, Putty and Bugsy all held onto the vine to prevent Stinker from dropping onto Meena.

Meena snored a strange sound just as Stinker got two feet above him and the crown.

Stinker looked up at the return air grill and saw Luna looking down. Luna nodded his head to proceed with their plan.

Stinker nodded in agreement and cautiously reached out for the crown. He got his paws inches from the crown when Meena snorted and turned to his other side bringing the crown with him. Stinker was frozen with fear.

Then he tried to reach out for the crown but his paws came up 2 inches short.

Luna and everybody lowered Stinker another 3 inches. He reached out and grabbed the top of the crown with one of his paws.

Stinker was slowly lifted upward by Luna and everybody inside the HVAC duct. Then Stinker's eyes widen with fear as he saw Meena's hand rising along with the crown.

Stinker was lifted up another foot when Meena's hand fell off the crown.

His hand fell down and slapped himself on his face. Meena quickly woke up and saw his crown was missing. He jumped up and stood on his bed in a panic and looked around for the crown. Then something didn't feel right and he looked up and saw Stinker being lifted by the vine to the return air grill with the crown.

"That thing is stealing my crown!" Meena cried out.

Stinker's eyes widen with fear when Meena reached up and grabbed his hind legs.

Gas vapor came out of Stinker's backside. Meena's eyes crossed when the vapor hit him and it stunk! He let go of Stinker's hind legs and dropped to his bed gagging. Inside the HVAC duct, Luna, Sona, Bugsy and Putty quickly pulled the vine back inside the duct.

Stinker was almost inside when a loud crack sound was heard. Everybody froze while the cracking sound got louder.

Meena gagged on the bed.

Then part of the ceiling came crashing down.

Luna and everybody slammed down to the floor with all the ceiling debris.

Boe, Burpy and Dopey jumped up out of their chairs in a panic. They looked around in a daze.

Meena saw Luna, Sona, Slither, Stinker, Bugsy and Putty on the floor.

"Get them!" yelled out Meena between gags.

Boe, Burpy and Dopey ran over to them.

Stinker aimed his butt at them when they got close and more vapor shot out. Boe, Burpy and Dopey dropped to their knees gagging.

Luna quickly grabbed the crown from Stinker who cuddled it like a fumbled football.

Sona, Putty, Bugsy and Stinker quickly jumped up.

They all ran to the door with Slither following.

Luna opened up the door and everybody raced into the hallway.

While they ran down the hallway, they knocked down a guard and ran over his body. They ran down the hallway with Stinker at the rear, leaving a stinky vapor cloud trail to aid in their escape.

The guard tried to stand up. But his eyes crossed and passed out over the smell.

Two guards dozed off at Meena's front door.

The front door slammed open, which startled the guards. Luna, Sona, Bugsy, Putty, Slither and Stinker raced out the door.

The guards quickly removed their laser pistols and aimed it at the escapees.

But Stinker left some stinky vapor, which caused them to drop to their knees and gag.

Luna with the crown, Sona, Stinker, Bugsy, Putty and Slither raced down the street.

Five minutes later, sirens blared throughout the military base to place all the soldiers on alert.

Luna, with the crown, Sona, Bugsy, Putty, Slither and Stinker raced down the street toward a big hangar in the foreground. They turned around and saw Meena, Boe, Burpy and Dopey running after them with their laser pistols out. They were gaining ground on Luna and everybody.

Lon, Saul, Bingo and Lorge sky surfed down from the sky like four fighter jets.

They sky surfed over and then Lon, Lorge and Saul banged Boe, Burpy and Dopey on their heads with the tips of their sky boards.

Boe, Burpy and Dopey tumbled to the ground and passed out.

The Surfers looked proud of their achievement then they made sharp upward turns and accidently slammed into each other.

They fell off their sky boards and slammed to the ground and were knocked out cold. Their sky boards dropped to the ground and stopped inches above it and hovered.

Bingo surfed down after Meena, who turned around and fired his laser pistol. Bingo made an evasive maneuver and the laser beam missed him by inches. But that caused him to fall off his sky board. He fell and slammed into the ground and was knocked out cold. His sky board stopped inches above the ground and hovered.

Putty turned around and saw Lon, Saul, Lorge and Bingo passed out on the ground while their sky boards hovered inches above the ground. Then he saw Meena still chasing after them. He suddenly got a brave streak and ran over to the nearest sky board.

Luna turned around and saw Putty running to a sky board and he got worried. "Putty, get back here!" Luna yelled.

"Don't worry about me!" Putty responded while he jumped on Bingo's sky board and took off into the sky, with a brave look on his face.

Meena ran closer to Luna unaware of Putty.

Then Putty on the sky board sky swooped down from the sky banged Meena on the back of his head with the tip of his sky board. Meena dropped to the ground out cold.

Putty sky surfed back up in the air and did a loop-d-loop. "YAHOOO!" yelled Putty during the loop-d-loop.

At the flightline by a hanger, a big hangar door opened.

Luna drove a hovering tug and towed the Neileon 14 fighter spaceship out of the hangar.

Touché and Wally peeked around the corner of the hangar where the Surfers told them to wait after hearing the sirens. They looked relieved when they saw Luna, Sona and the rest of their friends.

Sona and the rest of the Dreamers followed the towed spaceship.

Putty sky surfed out of the sky and landed the sky board near the spaceship. He jumped off.

Putty ran over to Sona and the rest of the Dreamers while they watched as Luna opened up the door of the fighter spaceship.

"Are we all here?" Luna asked while he looked everybody over."

"Lon, Lorge, Saul and Bingo were knocked out," Putty said.

Touché and Wally ran over from the side of the hangar.

"Don't leave with out us," Touché cried out with Wally by his side.

They looked and saw Touché and Wally running over to them.

Laser beams fired at them. It missed them and the beam hit the hangar with a loud boom and a burning hole in the metal wall was visible.

"We better hit the sky," Luna cried out then he saw Meena running at them with his laser gun.

They quickly got inside the spaceship. Luna slammed the door shut. Then the engines of the Neileon 14 fighter whirled while they started. Then the engines whined and Neileon 14 rose up and ascended into the night sky.

Up in space, Neileon 14 raced up away from the planet.

Sirens stilled blared on the military base flightline.

Eight pilots that wore purple flight suits, raced out of the barracks fifty feet from the hangar.

The soldiers ran down the flightline while they placed their helmets on their heads.

They raced over to the eight fighter spaceships.

They each quickly jumped inside their spaceships.

Their engines started up with a whirl. Then they whined louder.

All eight fighters quickly rose up into the air.

They all took off and a domino effect immediately occurred while the fighters crashed into each other because of the vines that were tied to their landing struts. They dropped to the flightline in a pile of crashed metal. Their engines whined down and shut-off. The pilots got out of their ships and removed their helmets. They scratched their heads while they tried to figure out why they crashed. Meena, Boe, Burpy and Dopey ran over to the flightline. They all had huge lumps on the back of their heads.

They stopped in their tracks when they saw the pile of crashed fighters.

Meena saw Neileon 15 fighter still in the hangar.

"Let's go!" he yelled at the goofs while he pointed at the hangar.

They all ran over to the hangar.

Ten minutes later in outer space, Neileon 15 raced up away from the plane with Luna at the controls.

Inside Neileon 15, Meena drove while the three goofs sat behind him. Then Meena saw Neileon 14 ahead of them.

"Destroy him!" he yelled at the three goofs.

Boe, Burpy and Dopey rushed over and grabbed the weapons control stick. Boe fired a laser beam.

Inside Neileon 14, a laser beam shot past the canopy. Then Boom! The spaceship violently shook knocking everybody around the inside.

Luna made evasive maneuvers while he dodged more of Meena's laser beams.

Inside Neileon 15, Meena flew the fighter while Boe worked the weapons controls. He did a rapid fire of more laser beams at Neileon 14, but Luna was good at dodging them.

Meena looked furious with Boe, Burpy and Dopey. "Do you morons need glasses? I said, shoot him down!" he screamed out and sprayed them with a little spit.

"I can shoot him down," Burpy burped out.

"No! I can shoot him down," Dopey yelled out.

They all fought over the weapons control stick.

Meena got frustrated with the three goofs and slapped them all across their faces, causing their heads to spin then he took control of the weapons stick. A "WELCOME TO PLANET RONREVOG– HOME OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL. FLY SAFELY" lighted neon sign floated in outer space above planet Ronrevog.

Neileon 14 raced past the sign and flew to Ronrevog.

Chapter 17

Planet Ronrevog looked similar to Neileon with the same type of vegetation, mountains, oceans and lakes.

Neileon 14 flew down out of the sky towards a huge Palace that sat on top of hundreds of stairs. It was the Governing Council Palace, which sat in a landscaped field surrounded by woods.

The Governing Council was the body of Aliens that established rules for all the nearby planets with eight council members. This helped maintained peace for hundreds of years. All the planets had a representative on the Governing Council. They would enforce the separate laws of the individual planets.

Neileon 14 swooped down and landed in a field near the edge of the woods that surrounded the Palace.

The door opened to Neileon 14 opened up.

Luna, Sona and the Dreamers all rushed out.

Luna looked and saw the top of the Governing Council Palace that poked above the tree lines. They ran off toward the woods.

Neileon 15 descended wildly from the sky.

It came down wildly and bounced off the ground and went twenty feet back up in the air. It tumbled back down to the ground and crashed. The engines emitted pink smoke.

The banged up door of Neileon 15 creaked open.

Meena stumbled out of Neileon 15. Then Boe, Burpy and Dopey fell out and landed on top of Meena.

"Get off me!" yelled Meena, who pushed them off his body.

Meena jumped up and saw that Neileon 14 landed twenty feet away. He immediately knew Luna and everybody were headed to the Palace. "I know a shortcut," Meena told them.

He ran toward another section of the woods.

Boe, Burpy and Dopey got up and saw Meena running away toward the woods.

They ran off after him.

Luna, with the crown, Sona and the Dreamers ran through the woods.

Touché, Stinker and Putty got winded from the running. They stopped. They bent over and gasped for air.

Luna, Sona and Wally noticed and stopped. "What's wrong?" Luna asked

"Need air and rest," said Touché out of breath.

Stinker and Putty both nodded in agreement.

Sona and Luna held out their arms.

"Get aboard," Luna told them.

Touché jumped in Luna's arms.

Putty jumped in Sona's arms.

Stinker looked at Wally.

"Hop on," Wally replied.

Stinker jumped on Wally's back.

They all took off running.

Meena, Boe, Burpy and Dopey ran thru the woods.

Burpy tripped, stumbled and knocked Boe down who knocked Meena down.

"Can't you guys do anything right?" yelled Meena with his face in the dirt.

He looked up and saw the edge of the woods ten feet away. And between some trees, he saw the Governing Council Palace. Luna, Sona and the Dreamers were not in sight and he smiled knowing he was a step ahead of Luna.

He pushed the goofs off him and jumped up.

He ran to the edge of the woods in the direction of the Palace.

Boe, Burpy and Dopey got up and ran after Meena.

Luna with the crown, Sona and the Dreamers ran through the woods.

They ran to the edge of the woods and into the field.

They ran across the field to the Palace. Nobody was in sight so Luna thought he made it free and clear.

He ran to the hundreds of stairs that led up to the Palace.

When he got to the base of the stairs, they saw two huge landscaped bushes on both sides.

Meena, Boe, Burpy and Dopey jumped out from behind one of the bushes with laser pistols drawn.

"It's over Luna. Hand over the crown and I'll go easy on you. Maybe you can be my houseboy for me and my Queen," said Meena with a smirk.

He aimed his pistol at Sona's head.

Bugsy looked at Meena and wanted to do something to save his Neileon friends. Then he looked down at the bronze shoe that still hung around his neck. He got an idea and discreetly removed it from around his neck at the same moment Luna handed Meena the crown.

Bugsy threw his bronze shoe at Meena and it ricocheted off the laser pistol knocking it out of Meena's hand. It flew off and landed twenty feet away.

"Okay gang, sometimes we have to do what comes natural!" Bugsy told the other Dreamers, who all nodded in agreement.

Touché growled and barked.

Putty roared like a Lion.

Wally snapped.

Bugsy threw punches like an experienced boxer. Slither curled up and hisses.

Meena, Boe, Burpy and Dopey, all stepped back unsure of these Earth creatures.

There was a moment of silence. Then Wally, Touché Putty and Slither all lunged at Meena, Boe, Burpy and Dopey. Touché jumped on Burpy, biting him while he dropped to the ground and they landed in a mud puddle.

Wally snapped at Meena's ankles causing him to jump back a few feet.

Putty snapped at Boe who jumped back and bumped into Meena.

Slither lunged at Dopey.

Bugsy boxed the air while he waited for an available victim.

Stinker waited to see if anybody needed to be sprayed with his defense mechanism.

Luna with the crown in hand, saw this opportunity and grabbed Sona by her hand and quickly ran her up the stairs to the Palace. Stinker followed behind them just in case he needed to spray someone.

Luna, Sona and Stinker ran up to the top of the stairs then looked down at the bottom.

They saw Meena who ran around in circles with Wally snapping at his heels.

Burpy ran around with Touché, covered in mud snapping at his heels.

Boe ran around with Putty snapping at his heels.

Dopey ran around with Slither striking at him.

Luna was proud of his Earth friends. He turned around and ran inside the Palace with Sona and Stinker following.

Inside the Palace, Luna, Sona and Stinker ran down a long hallway.

They ran until they came upon the Governing Council's chamber room.

Luna opened the door.

The eight council members worked at a long conference table while they made the final arrangements for King Tuna's retirement. Four guards stood alongside the wall. Council member 1 had a strange feeling and looked over at the door. He saw Stinker. He didn't think anything of it. Then it dawned on him.

"Alien!" he screamed out and jumped up on the table.

The seven other Council members looked at their colleague like he was whacky.

"Get off that table. You look like a dweeb," Council member 4.

"Alien!" he screamed out again and pointed at Luna, Sona and Stinker while they rushed over to the table.

The eyes of the seven Council members almost popped out in shock at the sight of Stinker. They jumped up and joined their colleague. They all shook in fear.

The guards removed their laser pistols and were about to vaporize Stinker when Luna rushed up to the table. "It's okay. They're from Earth and are very friendly. Trust me!" Luna said in a comforting tone.

The guards didn't fire their laser pistols but aimed them at Stinker as a precaution.

Then the Council members recognized Luna.

"Luna! Where have you been?" Council member 5 asked.

"You missed the initial ceremony," Council member 8 said.

"It wasn't my fault," Luna said while he placed the crown on the table.

The Council members felt safe with the Dreamers so they got off the table.

They looked at the crown.

"General Meena was given the crown. How did you get it?" Council member 6 asked curious ly.

"Well, I missed the initial ceremony because General Meena tricked me into flying to Earth."

"Why?" General member 3 asked.

"I wasn't ready to be crowned King so Meena told me that if I would fly to Earth and destroy their rocket that was sending a probe to our planet, the Governing Council would grand me a two year delay on being crowned," Luna confessed and looked ashamed of himself.

"Why would he tell you that?" Council member 5 asked.

"Because he wanted to become King and attack Earth then start attacking other planets. He has a stupid dream of becoming King of the Universe," Luna replied.

The Council members looked down at Stinker.

"What's this creature's story?" Council member 1 asked.

"His name is Stinker. He and his friends helped me escape from Earth and get the crown," Luna said.

"Hello," Stinker said.

"Hello," all Council members replied in unison.

Then Council member 7 motioned for the guards to put away their pistols. They obeyed.

Council member 7 picked up Stinker. "Earth creatures are kinda cute," he said while he petted Stinker's head.

It dawned on Council member 3. "Wait, didn't you say his friends? Where are the others?"

All the Council members looked around the room for more Earth creatures.

"They're outside keeping Meena, Boe, Burpy and Dopey busy," Luna answered.

The door to the room slammed opened and Meena raced inside with Wally hanging on the seat of Meena's pants by his teeth.

Meena stopped dead in his tracks when he saw Luna and Sona standing next to the Governing Council members with four Guards behind them.

He frowned when he saw Council member 7 petting Stinker, who loved the attention.

Council member 4 glared at Meena with Wally at the other end of the room. "Meena, we have a little problem!"

"What problem? There's not a problem," Meena replied while he played dumb.

"Luna claims you illegally detained him from attending the initial conference," Council member 5 said.

"No! I would never do that!" Meena lied.

"You kidnapped me!" Sona cried out.

She ran over and slapped Meena's face.

Then Boe entered the room with Putty hanging on one of Boe's shirt sleeve by his teeth. Burpy entered with Touché, brown from the mud, hanging on the seat of Burpy's pants by his teeth and Dopey entered with Slither clinging on his ear lobe, and Bugsy raced into the room throwing punches in the air.

They stopped dead in their tracks when they saw Luna, Sona and Stinker. Boe, Burpy and Dopey immediately pointed fingers at Meena, as they knew the truth was told.

"General Meena told us to shoot down Prince Luna," Boe blurted out.

The Council members looked a Luna.

"Luna, is there something you want to say?" Council 1 asked him.

Luna got a huge smile on his face. "Guards! Arrest Meena, and his three goons!" Luna ordered and suddenly he started to feel like King.

The Dreamers let go of their grips from Boe, Burpy and Dopey and they dropped to the floor.

Meena, Boe, Burpy and Dopey all took off running. The four Guards ran after them.

But Wally was too quick for them and he stuck out his tail and tripped the three goofs.

One of the guards caught up to Meena while the three other guards ran after the goofs.

They were all arrested and were walked them out of the room.

"Wait," Luna yelled out.

The guards stopped.

Luna ran over to them.

Sona followed.

"Where's my father?" Luna asked Meena.

"The Earthlings have him. I thought you heard about that?" Meena responded with a smirk.

"Tell me the truth!" yelled Luna with clinched fists.

Wally snapped. Touché growled. Putty roared. Bugsy threw punches at Meena, Boe, Burpy and Dopey, who all got nervous.

"He's stranded on Planet Deserta," burped out Burpy. Meena looked at Burpy with fire in his eves.

Luna, Sona and the Council members looked

confused, as they didn't understand his burping words.

"Duh...Meena made us sabotage his limo. He's...duh...stuck on planet Deserta...duh," Dopey responded. Then he reached in his shirt pocket and removed at piece of paper. "Here's the coordinates where he should have...duh...crash landed," Dopey added while he handed Luna the paper.

Meena looked mad at Dopey and wanted to slap him but the guards had his arms in their grips.

Luna looked at Sona. "I need to save father," Luna told Sona.

"As what a future King should do!" Sona replied proud of him.

Luna then gave her a quick kiss on his lips, grabbed her hand and they ran to the door.

"I'll meet you back on Neileon," Luna said.

"Can you find her a way back home?" Luna asked the Governing Council members.

"No problem," Council member 1 replied.

The Dreamers watched Luna leave. They all nodded indicating another adventure and ran after him.

Outside the Governing Council's Palace, Luna ran down the steps. The Dreamers ran down the steps after him.

"We're coming with you," Bugsy cried out just as Luna got to the bottom of the stairs.

He looked around and smiled at his Earth friends and waited for them.

They ran across the field to the woods.

They ran through the woods.

They ran out of the woods and back to Neileon 14.

They quickly got inside Neileon 14 and closed the door. The engines started with a whirl. Then the engines whined up.

Neileon 14 lifted off the ground and ascended up into the sky.

Chapter 18

Neileon 14 raced back down to Neileon.

It wasn't too long before it flew over Neileonville and flew back to the military base.

Luna landed the spaceship back on the flightline.

The door opened and Luna stepped out with the Dreamers.

The Surfers who ran up to the fighter soon greeted him.

"We're so sorry, Luna. But Meena got the best of us," Lon said.

"I take it you didn't get to the Governing Council in time," Lorge asked with a sad look thinking they failed with their mission.

"No! We saved his crown!" Bugsy blurted out all excited.

The other Dreamers nodded in agreement.

"And the Governing Council arrested Meena, Boe, Burpy and Dopey. I'm going to be King! But there's another problem. Father is stranded on Deserta so I came back to get a tow spaceship," Luna told them.

"Well, let's go rescue him!" Saul added.

Bingo looked at an opened hangar. "There's a tow ship over in that hangar," he said while he pointed at the hangar.

Everybody looked and saw a spaceship with a boom and hook. It was just like the one the Dreamers used to rescue Luna from jail.

"Let's go rescue Luna's father," Putty called out while he looked brave and puffed out his chest.

"We'll take the tow ship," Lon said.

"We'll go with the Surfers," Slither replied.

"Okay," Luna said rushed back inside Neileon 14.

The Surfers and the Dreamers all ran over to the hangar.

The engines for Neileon 14 started up with a whirl. Then they whined louder and it lifted off the flightline.

It ascended away into the sky.

A few minutes later, Neileon 14 raced out into outer space away from Neileon.

Five minutes later, the tow spaceship raced out into outer space from Neileon. It flew off after Neileon 14.

Way off in the distance, the Cruise spaceship slowly made a descent down to Neileon.

It was a short trip in space to Deserta, and all Luna could think about was how all this mess was his fault. Then he really had doubts he could make a good King.

Neileon 14 raced down toward the desert planet.

It flew all round the desert 500 feet off the dirt.

Way high up in the clear blue sky, the tow spaceship raced after Neileon 14.

King Tuna's limo was still stuck in the desert with him and Albie sitting in the shade under the raised back end.

King Tuna handed Albie a container. He turned it upside down and a single drop of water dropped into his mouth.

They heard a whirl while a spaceship descended out of the sky.

They looked up at the sky and saw Neileon 14 flying at them.

"It's one of our ships," King Tuna said while he got out from under his limo and stood up in the hot sun.

Albie got out from under the limo and stood next to King Tuna. They watched while Neileon landed thirty feet from them.

The doors of Neileon 14 opened and Luna jumped out.

"Luna!" King Tuna called out in a parched voice.

Albie smiled when he saw Luna.

Luna ran over to his father who grabbed and hugged him.

"Father, I'm so sorry for causing all this," Luna told him.

"Why did you fly to Earth?" King Tuna asked.

Then they saw the tow spaceship while it landed next to Neileon 14. The engines whined down and turned off.

The doors to the tow spaceship opened and the Surfers jumped out. Then the Dreamers all jumped out.

King Tuna saw the Dreamers walk away from the tow spaceship with the Surfers.

He grabbed Luna and immediately jumped in front of him. "Sand Aliens!" King Tuna yelled out in a panic.

Albie saw the Dreamers and he jumped back and hid deeper under the limo and shook with fear.

"It's okay father. They're my friends from Earth and helped me come home after Meena had me shot down there," Luna told him while he walked away from King Tuna and walked over to the Dreamers.

"Yeah, they're really cool K ing Tuna," Bingo said while he picked up Slither and let his curl around his arm.

King Tuna looked at the Dreamers. "Earthlings? Cool!" King Tuna said when it dawned on him what Luna previously said. "Meena did what?" he asked Luna.

"It's a long story," replied Luna as he placed his arm around King Tuna. They walked to Neileon 14 with Luna telling the whole story.

The Surfers walked back to the tow spaceship with the Dreamers. They got inside and started it up. Lon drove with the assistance of Touché. They hovered the tow ship over to King Tuna's limo.

While Neileon 14 started its engines and soon lifted off the desert, the Surfers and the Dreamers connected the tow spaceship to the rear of King Tuna's limo. Back at Neileon, the Cruise spaceship slowly descended to the city docks.

The ship stopped near a dock that hovered twenty feet up in the air with stairs that led to the ground.

After a few minutes, ten gang planks automatically extended and hovered at the Cruise spaceship. Then ten doors opened up on the ship.

Hundreds of Neileons walked down the hovering gang planks from the spaceship with suitcases in hand.

They walked down to the docks.

Sona stood in the dock and scanned everybody for her parents.

After five minutes of Neileons walking past her, she finally saw her mother and father walking towards her each carrying a suitcase. She waved at them.

They saw her and waved back.

Sona ran over to them and gave them each a quick kiss on their cheeks.

"How was your cruise?" Sona asked.

"It was marvelous. How was your time alone?" her father replied.

"Well, it was very interesting," Sona told them while she grabbed her mother's suitcase and carried it for her.

They walked down the dock and she told her parents al about her adventure with Luna and the Dreamers.

Later that day, on the sidewalk off of Neileonville Parkway, at a newsstand, a hologram emitted a newspaper with "GENERAL MEENA'S EVIL PLAN REVEALED. PRINCE LUNA WAS INNOCENT! KING TUNA RESCUED!" headlines.

Numerous Neileons stood by it and read the headlines. They all clapped with that standard seal sound.

"Looks like he's going to be a great King!" said a female Neileon.

"Yep, I guess we had him figured all wrong," a male Neileon replied.

All the surrounding Neileons nodded in agreement as they clap.

The next day on Neileon, the grand auditorium was filled with Neileons who looked very happy.

At the back of a stage behind a red carpet, were Lon with a strange guitar, Saul with a strange bass guitar, Lorge with another strange guitar and Bingo with a strange looking drum that hung from his neck. They started up another weird Alien song, which sounded like a national anthem. It was in fact the Neileon national anthem.

King Tuna entered in his best dressed red robe with a flowing red cape that he used for special ceremonies like the one being held today.

He walked on the red carpet and stopped and stood in the center of the stage. He faced the anxious audience and waited.

Luna entered from the left side of the stage and word a fancy outfit and held the crown. He looked so proud while he walked over and stood next to his father and faced the audience.

Governing council members 1, 2, 3 and 4 entered the stage from the right side while Governing Council members 5, 6, and 7 entered from the left side of the stage. They walked and stood behind King Tuna and Luna.

The Surfers finished playing the national anthem.

Governing Council member 8 entered from the left side of the stage and the Dreamers followed behind them.

The Dreamers waited behind the other Council members while Council member 8 walked over and stood in front of King Tuna and Luna. He faced the audience.

"In accordance with Neileon law forty five dash seventeen, King Tuna is hereby retired from service as King of Neileon. And in accordance with Neileon law forty five dash eighteen, the next of kin in possession of the crown at the exact moment of this official ceremony, is hereby declared King of Neileon."

Council member 8 took the crown from Luna and placed it on Luna's head.

"At this exact moment, Prince Luna is hereby declared King of Neileon and shall have the name, King Luna," Council member 8 addressed the audience.

Everybody stood up and clapped with the standard Neileon seal cheer.

King Luna had a look of extreme confidence and a huge smile on his face when he saw that his people loved the fact he was now King.

Tuna got a huge proud smile while he glanced over and saw his son with the crown on his head.

"Okay, please be seated. We have some more officiating to complete," Counc il member 8 said to the crown.

From the left side of the stage, Sona entered wearing a beautiful long flowing dress with a small cute Neileon girl who followed carrying a Queen's crown on a red fluffy pillow.

They walked over and Sona stood next to Luna.

That girl walked over to a Council member 8, who took the Queen's crown off the pillow and placed it on Sona's head.

"In accordance with King Luna's wishes, Sona is hereby declared Queen Sona," Council member 8 said to the audience.

In the front row of the audience, Sona's parents both wiped tears from their eyes, as they've waited for this moment for ten years.

"King Luna! Queen Sona!" the audience chanted while they stood up.

Council member 8 motioned for the audience to sit and be quiet.

The audience sat down.

"King Luna has some special presentations to perform," he told everybody.

King Luna stepped forward and looked back at the Dreamers.

"Will my friends from Earth please come forward," he said to them.

All the Dreamers went over to King Luna.

Some of the audience looked a little fearful of the Earth creatures.

"I heard they're really friendly and helped saved King Luna's life," one male Neileon said to a Neileon next to him.

A small Neileon man entered from the left side of the stage carrying a fancy box.

He walked over and stood by King Luna.

King Luna noticed some of the audience in the room moved away afraid of the Dreamers. "Don't worry. They won't bite," he assured them.

"Hard!" Touché jokingly commented. The Dreamers chuckled. King Luna glared at the Dreamers with a "Be quiet" look. It was his first official serious act since being King.

The Dreamers got serious.

"As King of Neileon, I here by proclaim my Earth friends, Wally, Slither, Stinker, Touché and Bugsy honorary space knights of Neileon," King Luna told everybody.

King Luna opened in the box and removed five badges on gold chains from that box. He placed one each around their necks, except for Slither where he laid it by his curled up body. Putty was left out.

The Dreamers all looked proud, except for Putty who felt hurt.

King Luna noticed Putty's sad face and smiled. "It gives me great pleasure to officially make Putty, honorary King of the Earth forest," said King Luna.

King Luna reached in the box and removed a small King's crown from that box. He placed it on Putty's head.

Putty puffed out his chest and looked proud.

The audience stood up and did their seal sounding clapping for the Dreamers.

Tuna hugged King Luna.

The Dreamers got teary eyed and hugged each other. Sona's eyes filled with tears of joy.

Later that day, King Luna had the Dreamers and the Surfers over for dinner. King Luna was provided with news of the arriving Earth probe and he wanted his friends to be there when it arrived.

Then up in the sky, the Earth probe with attached Neileon probe descended down to the Palace.

The Neileon probe detached from the Earth probe and flew off in another direction while the Earth probe continued to descend.

The probe descended and landed on the front grounds of the Palace.

Then King Luna, Sona, both wearing their crowns, the Surfers and the Dreamers, who all wore their gifts, rushed out of the front entrance of the Palace. King Luna and some of the Dreamers held signs in hand. They saw the Earth probe in the grass and rushed over to it.

Meanwhile back on Earth, in the big conference room on the fifth floor of OSB II, there were two huge plasma TVs that hung on the wall. At the moment it showed nothing but static snow.

The room was filled with NASA Scientists and News Media people who stared anxiously at the TVs. Then the static TV snow disappeared away and the sight of the beautiful countryside of Neileon with exotic vegetation and landscaped grounds of the Palace appeared.

Everybody in the room stood up and cheered and clapped while some patted each other on the back while some shook hands. They watched the TVs when suddenly King Luna and Queen Sona wearing their crowns appeared in view.

The NASA and media folks stared in shock. "Aliens! We found Aliens!" cried out a Scientist all excited.

They stared in awe at the TVs, then saw King Luna hold up a "WELCOME EARTH! THIS IS PLANET NEILEON, LETS BE FRIENDS!" sign.

"Friendly Aliens!" said another Scientist.

Everybody cheered and clapped louder while they looked at the TVs. Then on the TVs, the Dreamers came into view behind Luna and Sona.

Wally had a "Hi Dad" sign.

Touché had a "Hi Scooter and Leslie" sign.

Bugsy had a "Hi Grandpa" sign.

Everybody in the room looked extremely disappointed.

"Oh great! NASA faked another planet landing," said a disappointed female news reporter.

All the news media folks got up and walked out of the room shaking their heads in displeasure.

The NASA Scientists scratched their heads in confusion as all their data indicated the probe made it into deep space.

Chapter 19

It was the next day on Neileon.

Tuna already departed and left the planet for a long desired vacation. He planned to spend the next month on the exotic beaches on the planet, Islandeon.

Back at the Palace, King Luna, Queen Sona and the Dreamers stood next to a brand new shiny limo Mercedes-Benz looking spaceship was parked in the driveway of the Palace. It was Tuna's gift to King Luna.

The huge trunk of the limo was opened, and Albie stood by a cart full of numerous suitcases.

"Do you need all those clothes?" King Luna asked Queen Sona while he glanced at all the suitcases.

King Luna, Queen Sona and the Dreamers watched while Albie grabbed suitcases off the cart and staggered over with knees buckled to the trunk. He dropped them into trunk with a thud, which shook the limo.

"Of course! A Queen needs a different outfit for all the various functions we have to attend," she replied.

King Luna chuckled then looked at the Dreamers. "I can't thank you enough for what your did for our planet," he told them.

"It's us who should thank you for giving us a space knight's adventure and for saving Earth," Bugsy replied.

King Luna looked at an exhausted Albie.

"We're ready sir," Albie replied while he dropped the last suitcase into the trunk then closed the hood.

King Luna looked up at the sky. Then he smiled when he saw the Surfers while they sky surfed with their instruments in hand and Bingo had that drum hanging from around his neck.

They landed on the grass near the limo.

"Good, you made it," King Luna said.

"Of course. We would never disappoint our King," Lon said while they got off their sky boards, which hovered above the grass.

The Surfers then walked over with their instruments.

Albie walked over and opened the back door. Queen Sona, King Luna and the Dreamers got inside the back. The Surfers got inside the back with their instruments.

Albie closed the back door and walked over to the driver's door and got inside.

The limo started up with a whirl then the engines whined louder and it lifted off the driveway.

In outer space, King Luna's limo ascended away from Neileon and raced off into outer space with the entire Gang glued to windows, loving the view.

Meanwhile on the planet Islandeon, Tuna relaxed on the beach and enjoyed his vacation. Then a female, green skin with long flowing white hair, around his age, sat down on the chair next to him. She looked over at him and smiled, as she liked what she saw.

"Hello, my name is Tilla," she said.

Tuna was smitten right away as he hasn't spent time with a woman since his wife died of a dreadful disease.

"Hello Tilla. My name is Tuna," he said.

They spent the rest of their day together.

Back on Earth three days later, it was a quiet night back at the woods at the Space Center.

Then the whine of an engine was heard while Luna's limo spaceship landed in a clearing of the woods.

The back door opened, and the Dreamers rushed out and ran over to a bush and waited.

The limo rose up into the air.

The Dreamers waved. The limo beeped beeped then it raced off into the dark night.

The Dreamers looked up at the dark starry filled sky while the limo raced off toward the north.

They walked into the woods when they heard the NASA Huey helicopter overhead. Then a searchlight illuminated the Dreamers.

Inside the Huey helicopter, Rodney and Jake looked through the cockpit windows and saw the Dreamers staring up at them from the ground.

"Should we report it was a spaceship?" Rodney asked.

"And get our license taken away for being loony. I don't think so," Jake replied.

Rodney turned off the searchlight turns off and Jake flew the Huey away.

The Dreamers went away.

It was later that day and Wally swam down the creek with Stinker, Bugsy all wearing their medals and Putty with his crown. Slither and Touché swam alongside Wally.

Derek von Snapper von Snapper and Slim lounged on a nearby bank. Derek von Snapper opened his eyes and saw Wally and the Dreamers swimming towards them. He smiled and elbowed Slim.

"Our snacks are finally coming!" he told Slim, then licked his chops. They both moved backwards and hid behind a palmetto bush.

Wally swam to the bank where Touché, Bugsy, Putty and Stinker immediately jumped off and stepped on the bank.

Slither slithered onto the bank.

They started to walk through the woods.

"Well, well, well, you space babies you owe us big time!" said Derek von Snapper while he stepped out from the palmetto bush with Slim.

They raised their half-burnt tails up.

"Yeah! Big time!" Slim responded.

Derek von Snapper and Slim inched toward the Dreamers, licking their chops.

Touché saw a mud puddle. He quickly stuck his paw into it and placed mud under eyes as war paint. "Okay gang. Act natural!" he yelled.

Then at the same time; Touché barked. Putty roared. Slither curls up and hissed. Stinker turned around lifted his tail, Wally snapped and Bugsy put up his paws and threw punches like a boxer.

The Dreamers lunged at Derek von Snapper and Slim, who stepped back, scared by the Dreamers' sudden act of bravery. They quickly moved in reverse.

"Oh, rats! I forgot I have an appointment to have my teeth cleaned. Gonna take all day," said Derek von Snapper von Snapper with a nervous smile.

"Yeah. I forgot I have to babysit my little sister gator," Slim added.

They jumped into the water and hurriedly swam away.

The Dreamers all high fived each other.

From a pine tree nearby, the old Owl saw the whole episode and looked proud of the Dreamers.

It was morning and it looked quiet at the White House in Washington D.C.

Then the sound of the whine of the engine of Luna's limo spaceship was heard while it landed in the lawn.

Then two Air Force F-22 Raptor jets raced over the White House lawn.

Inside one of the F-22 jets, the pilot, nicknamed, Warrior, looked down at the White House lawn while they circled back.

"I can't believe how fast that spaceship was," Warrior said into this microphone.

"I know. As soon as we saw it on radar, it landed on the White House lawn," another pilot nicknamed, Grim Reaper, replied. Three Army Black Hawk helicopters raced down from the sky and landed in the White House lawn close to King Luna's limo.

Twenty-four Army soldiers with machine guns, jumped out of the Black Hawks and ran over to Luna's spaceship.

They circled around his limo and aimed their rifles at the spaceship. Their knees and guns shook with a little fear, as they didn't know what to expect.

The back door of the limo opened and some the soldiers fainted and dropped with rifles to the ground at the sight of the possibility of seeing Aliens.

From the White House, the President peeked his head out a window curtain.

King Tuna and Queen Sona stepped out of the limo with Queen Sona holding a Holophone on a water board.

The Surfers stepped out behind them with their instruments. They started playing the Neileon national anthem with their instruments.

They saw the soldiers and hit sour notes while they stopped playing.

"I'm King Luna from the Planet Neileon. We come in peace and want to be friends with the lovely Earthlings. Where is your leader?" he asks the soldiers.

They immediately pointed their rifles in the direction of the White House.

Five minutes later, President Shrub, who spoke with a southern accent, walked up with numerous Secret Service Agents around him.

"English, great! I'm President Shrub," he said while he extended his hand.

King Luna extended his hand and slapped the President's hand making their standard seal sound, which caused the Secret Service Agents to remove their guns, just in case. "I'm King Luna and this is my beautiful Queen Sona," he said.

Queen Sona gave President Shrub a curtsy then handed him the Holophone on the water board. "New technology from Neileon," she said. This water board was the prototype King Luna had made six months ago.

President Shrub took them and admired the Holophone and water board. "Let's talk!" President Shrub told King Luna.

President Shrub, King Luna and Queen Sona walked to the White House with the Secret Service Agents following.

The Surfers trailed behind them.

Later on that day, President Shrub and King Luna sat at a fancy desk with Queen Sona with the Surfers standing behind them.

President Shrub signed a "Trade Agreement " paper then he slid it over to King Luna who looked at it. He picked it up. He sniffed it. He tasted it with his tongue. He laid it on the table. He snorted and spat out green slime onto the "King Luna of Neileon" signature line.

President Shrub looked at the paper and got a "Why not" look. He took the paper. He snorted. He spat on his signature.

The Surfers and Sona clapped and cheer with their standard seal sound.

President Shrub found this strange yet interesting. So he tried to create the same sound.

Meanwhile, back at the launch pad at the Kennedy Space Center, the Dreamers snuck through an opening in the perimeter fence.

They rushed over to a building over at the Liquid Hydrogen storage area. They stood on a wooden box and stared into a window.

From that window, they saw a TV inside where two engineers and three technicians, where one of them was

Scooter. They all watched the historical event from the White House from the TV.

From the window, the Dreamers saw King Luna and President Shrub clapping and making seal sounds along with Sona and the Surfers. The Dreamers looked at each other and smiled. They all high fived each other. They got off balance and fell to the ground.

Then it dawned on Touché that Scooter was inside the building. "I better get home. Leslie must be worried sick," he said.

They walked around to the other side of the building and Touché saw Scooter's pickup truck.

"I'll get with you guys later as I better get back home," Touché said while he ran over to the pickup. He looked back at his friends. "I need some help," he pleaded.

Wally, Putty and Bugsy ran over.

They all stood on Wally's back. Then Putty and Bugsy lifted Touché up to where he was able to jump into the bed of Scooter's pickup.

Then Touché's paw appeared over the bed of the pickup and waved at his friends.

The Dreamers ran off to the hole in the perimeter fence.

Later on that day, Scooter drove home unaware Touché was hiding in the bed of his pickup. He pulled into his driveway and went inside the house.

Touché peeked up over the bed of the truck and jumped out. He ran into the backyard.

Five minutes later, you could hear Leslie's screams of joy when she was Touché at the back sliding glass doors.

Scooter thought he was with another female dog this whole time and they both wondered where he got that strange looking badge that hung around his neck.

She immediately gave him a bath.

Chapter 20

It was one year later and trades between Neileon and Earth had occurred.

Down in Cape Canaveral, Florida. A Cruise spaceship, from Neileon, hovered just above the water alongside a dock by a "UNIVERSE CRUISES" sign.

At the forward end, Earth men and woman and children, walked up the hovering gang planks to five opened doors at the forward end of the spaceship.

At the five opened doors of the aft end of the spaceship, numerous Neileon men, women and children walked down the hovering gang planks to the dock.

One of those couples was Tuna and Tilla, married six months ago by King Luna for his first official ceremony. They decided to visit Earth for another vacation.

Way up in the sky, another cruise spaceship ascended toward outer space full of Earth passengers.

On the beach in Cape Canaveral, was a grass hut with a Dutch door and a "LON, SAUL, LORGE AND BINGO'S WATER AND SKY BOARDS SHOP" sign on the roof.

Inside the hut, behind the Dutch door, Lon, Saul, Lorge and Bingo leaned against it with smiles, while they looked out at the ocean and saw old ladies, old men, younger men, women and children from Earth and Neileons surf on water boards just above the ocean waves. The Earthling had a ball with these devices from Neileon.

Some of the old ladies and old men did loop-d-loops five feet above the waves.

Way up in the sky, numerous Earth Surfers sky surfed on sky boards. Then some sky surfed around the clouds. They had a blast! Meanwhile, back in a Neileon prison, Meena, Boe, Burpy and Dopey all wore striped prison uniforms while they stood behind an assembly line table. They were all miserable.

Boe grabbed a brown sky board off a pile. He placed it upside down on the table in front of Burpy who laid a metal strip on the bottom of the board.

Burpy snapped his fingers and then a device hovered down from the ceiling and covered the board. It made whish and then a thunk sound. Then the device rose up. Burpy turned the board over and handed it to Meena.

It hovers inches above the table in front of Meena who placed a picture of the Dreamers on it. He pushed the board to Dopey who had a spray gun in hand.

Dopey pressed a button, which sprayed Meena's face with clear stuff.

Meena got pissed and turned Dopey's gun around and pressed that button He sprayed the board then slapped Dopey.

Dopey's head spun around. He looked dizzy while he placed that board in an "Earth" box.

Boe grabbed another blank air board and started the process all over again.

Back on Earth, a fancy grass hut sat on some nice creek bank property at the Space Center.

Inside the hut, Wally, Touché, Bugsy, Stinker and Slither wore their space knight medals and Putty wore his crown. They relaxed in chaise chairs with Derek von Snapper on one side and Slim on other side.

They both have fans tied to their tails and looked unhappy while they fanned the Dreamers.

Bugsy's eyes lit up with an idea. "Hey guys, let's take a short ride," he said all excited.

"Yeah, another Magellan rocket is scheduled to launch soon," Putty reminded them.

The rest of the Dreamers all looked excited with his proposal.

They all got out of their chairs and ran out of the hut leaving Derek von Snapper and Slim behind.

The Dreamers all ran through the woods.

Ten minutes later, they arrived at a pile of palmetto leaves and other vegetation.

While they removed the vegetation, they saw the Magellan rocket at the launch pad off on the horizon.

They picked up their pace on removing the vegetation.

Meanwhile, back at the Visitors Center, Lester and Tater snuck on the roof of one of the buildings. They looked to the east and waited

Five minutes later and they watched while the Magellan rocket blasted off into the sky.

Lester and Tater high fived each other while they watched the rocket race up into the sky. They continued to watch until it was just a fiery dot in the sky.

Tater looked to the west and saw one of the numerous creeks from up there. Then something caught his attention. He strained to got a better look and his eyes lit up with joy.

"Lil Darlin!" he cried out in joy.

Lester thought he went nuts on him. "What is wrong with you, dude?"

"There's my Lil Darlin," Tater called out while he pointed to the creek.

Lester looked where Tater pointed and saw the air boat in the water

Tater and Lester quickly climbed down off the roof of that building.

They ran through the rocket gardens of the Visitors Center to the woods.

Tater and Lester ran through the woods.

They ran to a creek where Tater stopped dead in his

tracks when he saw his air boat floating in the creek.

Tater ran to the creek with open arms. "I love you Lil Darlin!" he called out while he ran through the water.

Tater hugged then kissed the hull of his air boat.

Lester watched on the bank of the creek and shed a tear while he watched this heartfelt moment.

Meanwhile, up in orbit above Earth, the Magellan rocket dropped all of its stages and the capsule orbited.

Inside the capsule, two Astronauts, Eric and Bobby sat inside and monitored their instruments on the console. Eric looked out his front window and rubbed his eyes, as he didn't believe what he saw.

"You will never believe what I'm seeing," Eric told Bobby.

"What?"

Eric pointed at his console window.

Bobby looked out his window and they saw a small spaceship. It was a saucer with a glass canopy that flew alongside the Magellan capsule. It was a spaceship that Luna brought to Earth as a gift for the Dreamers to continue their dreams of space adventures.

From the spaceship's canopy window, the Dreamers all waved at the Magellan Astronauts.

"Animal Astronauts?" Bobby said in disbelief then rubbed his eyes to make sure he was seeing clearly. He was.

"Are we going to report this?" asked Eric.

"And get locked up for being space loony, no way!" Bobby replied.

They looked out their windows for other strange objects.

They watched while the spaceship with the Dreamers inside raced away toward the Moon.