



**The Time Portal**  
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## **CHAPTER ONE A NEW HOME**

**Of all of the mysteries of our univexxe, time has eluded man more than any other.**

**No matter how hard we try , we can not bring back one past second.**

**It is as though once they are used they no longer exist. However it is my opinion they still do exist in another dimension.**

**And we have only to find a way to inter that dimension.**

**June 1<sup>st</sup> 1971.**

**Jeff Dobbs hated the thought of leaving Indianapolis. He had a lot of friends there he didn't want to leave.**

**But His Father was offered a new job in Georgia.  
And it paid a lot more money.  
There was just no way he could turn it down.**

**His sister Julie said she was glad to be moving.  
She was tired of Indianapolis anyway.  
And Georgia sounds like a real nice place to live.**

**There new home was in a small neighborhood.  
There were three lanes, each about one mile long.  
It was almost like living in the country.  
The whole division at one time was a farm.  
Each lane had eight houses on each side of the street.  
There was also a house at the end of each street.  
Making fifty one houses in all.**

**Jeff hoped he would find some new friends here.  
He loved to play basketball and football.  
Maybe there will be some good players here.**

**He was tall for his sixteen years.  
His build was slim and he was very athletic.  
He figured he would make the team at school .  
After all he was first string Quarterback in his freshman year  
of high school in Indianapolis, and that's not bad.**

**He knew that Julie would go out for cheer leading.  
She had done it as a freshman last year in Indianapolis.  
And she was real good at it.  
She said it was the best way to attract the boys.**

**The U Hall was just about empty.  
Then it was just a matter of putting it all away.**

**He looked the house over, and picked out his bed room.  
Of cores, he picked the one that Julie wanted.  
There were six bed rooms in the house.  
So he gave her the one she wanted and took another.  
There was a large front yard with one tree.  
There was also some shrubbery near the driveway.**

**The back yard was four times larger than the front.  
It had a privacy fence and a large in ground pool.  
He liked the idea that it had a pool.**

**At the very back of the property was a wooded area.  
He had no idea who owned that land.**

**He didn't know how far the woods went back.  
he would explore That's some day when he had time.**

## **CHAPTER TWO**

### **EXPLORING THE NEIGHBORHOOD**

**when they were finished two weeks had passed.  
They had been hanging pictures and moving furniture.**

**Now he was ready to meet some neighborhood kids.  
He had seen some kids pass by and look at the house.  
He guessed they were checking them out.  
Maybe they wanted to see if there were teenagers there.**

**Now the time had COME.**

## **CHAPTER TWO**

**He was going to check out the neighborhood.  
If there were kids his age around he would find them.  
He went to get his bike, and started down the street.  
He turned the corner and went to the next street.  
he turned again, and to his delight.  
he saw a very pretty girl coming his way.  
She looked just about his age.  
he stopped at her side.  
She had a light complexion but tanned by the sun.  
Her skin was very smooth and looked to be soft to the touch.  
Her eyes were blue, her blond hair hung to her waist .  
When she smiled she showed perfect white teeth.  
“Hi, do you live around here?” asked Jeff  
“Yes, She replied. I live in that house right there.”  
Pointing at a white house with green trim.  
“My name is Jeff Dobbs, I moved in on the nest street.”**

**“Yes, we have been wondering if there were any teen agers there.”**

**Jeff asked, “What is your name?”**

**“Peggy Flynn.”**

**“How long have you lived here Peggy?”**

**“All my life. She replied**

**Then she asked, “Where did you move from?”**

**“Indianapolis, Indiana.” answered Jeff**

**Peggy said, “ Do you think you will like it here?”**

**Smiling Jeff said, “ Well, It’s looking up,”**

**a smile came to her lips.**

**how many kids our age are in the neighborhood?”**

**“Oh I guess about fifteen or twenty, Why do you ask?”**

**“Can you invite them to my house on Saturday for a party?**

**My sister and I want to meet everyone as soon as we can.”**

**“Oh, how old is your sister?”**

**“She is sixteen, we are twins.”**

**“What time do you want us there?”**

**“around noon,**

**and if you can’t get anyone else to come.**

**you can come alone.” Said Jeff**

**“I’ll see what I can do.**

**What do we need to bring?”**

**”Well it mite be a good idea to bring a swim suit.**

**It’s a pool party.”**

**They both laughed.**

**Jeff got her phone number and gave her his.**

**He told her to pass it around to the other kids.**

**Then he rode around a while and went back home.**

**He told his mother and Julie what he had plan for Saturday.**

**They both thought it was a great idea.**

**His Mother said if it went well for us.**

**she may try that with the parents on a later date.**

**Most of the back yard was either pool or patio.**

Giving plenty of room for Jeff's basketball goal.  
 After sitting the post in concrete.  
 he painted on the file line and the three point line.  
 He would have his dad help him put up the back board.

The next day Jeff was mowing the lawn.  
 Peggy, two other girls and two boys came walking by.  
 They were in front of his house when he saw them.  
 He turned off the key and said .  
 "Hi Peggy how are you?"  
 She smiled and said,"Hi Jeff."  
 Jeff asked, "Who are your friends?"  
 Peggy said, "This is Barbra and Carol Draft.  
 This is Danny Wilson an Larry Hawn.  
 we call Larry the Flash.  
 "Why do you call him Flash?" Asked Jeff.  
 "When He gets the football no one can catch him."  
 Flash said," Do you play football Jeff?"  
 "Sure do." Said Jeff.  
 "What position do you play?"  
 "Quarterback."  
 Flash replied," Hot dog, I hope you are good at it, we sure  
 need a good Quarterback  
 ."  
 Jeff said," We came in second place last year at Lawrence  
 North in Indianapolis, I was first string in my freshman year."  
 "We are a small school but we have a good team except we  
 need a good Quarterback."  
 "Are you the receiver Flash?"  
 "That's me, we'll have to do some practicing before the season  
 starts."

Barbra was the shortest of the three girls.  
 She had brown hair that was cut short at the collar.



**Her face was round and she had green eyes, and a few freckles on and around her nose.**

**her sister on the other hand was at least a head taller than her. She also had brown hair but it came down to her waist.**

**Her eyes were also green.**

**She like Peggy was very easy to look at.**

**The two boys stood without saying very much.**

**Flash was almost as tall as Jeff and had a bigger build.**

**Danny was a head shorter and out weighed Jeff by at least thirty pounds.**

**At that time Julie came out the front door and walked over to them.**

**Now the two boys begin to show more interest.**

**Jeff said, "This is my twin sister Julie."**

**Then he told her all there names and they talked for a long time.**

**Then the other kids left and Jeff finished the lawn.**

**Friday came and the pool was just about full.**

**It would be ready in plenty of time for the party.**

## **CHAPTER THREE**

### **A DISCOVERY**

**Jeff had nothing more to do, so he went to the gate at the back of the yard and opened it.**

**He looked out through the gate into the woods beyond.**

**“Mite as well take a look around.” He thought.**

**He walked through the trees, some of them at least forty or fifty feet tall.**

**But something was very strange about this woods.**

**He hadn’t put his finger on it yet but it made the hair on his neck stand up.**

**“That’s It, he thought, No birds.”**

**He had not heard the sound of a bird or an animal sence he entered the woods.**

**All he could hear was the noise of the wind blowing through the trees.**

**He had walked about half a mile through the woods.**

**He marked his trail as he went with broken limbs and twigs.**

**When he came out of the woods into a small clearing.**

**Just Ahead of him was a Clift about one hundred feet tall.**

**In front of him was a stone wall about twelve feet high in the side of the Clift.**

**It looked like it was blocking a cave entrance and it looked very old.**

**He stood and looked at it for a long time.**

**on a large rock in front of the wall and about ten feet out was some writing.**

**He didn’t know what it mint for it was in another language.**

**He took a pencil out of his pocket and a piece of paper from his billfold and wrote down what was on the rock.**

**He looked the wall over real good and only found one small hole over his head just out of his reach.**

**It was about the size of a softball that looked like a rock had fallen out.**

**He wished the hole was down lower so he could look in it.**

**He looked around to see if there was something to stand on, but there was nothing except the big rock with the writing on it.**

**Jeff went over and climbed up on the big rock.**

**He was about ten feet from the rock wall but eye level with that little hole.**

**He looked in through the hole and shock came over him.**

**He saw something looking back at him.**

**It looked for a moment then ducked away from the hole.**

**Jeff just about fell off of the rock.**

**He looked at the wall again.**

**He thought he must have been seeing things.**

**There is no way he could have seen someone through that hole.**

**He decided that some day soon he would come back and knock a hole in that wall and explore that cave.**

**He turned and walked away with a strange feeling that someone was watching him.**

**He could hear the wind in the trees again, He stopped and looked back.**

**he looked at the wall and he was sure that he saw something move behind the little hole in the wall.**

**He thought "If I saw what I think I saw then there is another entrance to that cave."**

**He turned and made his way back to his house.**

**Later that night he went into his computer and found out what the words on the rock meant.**

**It was Latten, and it translated.  
Here the secrets of all the dimensions are known to thee.**

## **CHAPTER FOUR**

**Saturday came and it was time for the pool party.**

**Julie and her Mother had set up all of the refreshments.**

**Peggy, Barbra, and Carol, were the first to arrive.**

**Danny and Flash followed close behind.**

**After about one half hour eight more came in.**

**Three girls and five boys.**

**All together that afternoon they had about fifteen kids there.**

**two of them would not get to high school till next year.**

**Jeff ask some of the other kids if they knew anything about the cave.**

**Only two of the boys had seen it and all had been told to stay away from it.**

**They all acted like they were scared to death of the place.**

**That made Jeff even more curious about it.**

**And he knew that some day he would have to investigate it.**

**The pool party went well and it seamed that they had made a hit with the neighborhood kids.**

**Maybe it wont be so bad here after all.**

**It was easy to see that Flash had gotten sweet on Julie.**

**And Jeff thought Peggy was pretty cool also.**

**She sure looked great in a swim suit.**

**Jeff and Flash became good friends.**

**Most of the time they were playing basketball or passing the football.**

**Then Flash and his family went on vacation for two weeks.**

## **CHAPTER FIVE**

### **A PLACE IN TIME**

**It was a Monday and there was nobody around.  
Jeff was looking for something to do.**

**He got a pick ax and started back through the woods.  
In a few minutes he was at the stone wall in the cleft.  
He started at the edge of the wall picking at the old mortar.  
After a while one of the rocks started to loosen.  
He got the point of the pick behind the rock and begin to pry it out.**

**When the rock slid out it put more pressure on the wall.  
That caused half of the wall to come falling down.**

**If not for Jeff's fast reflexes it would have fallen on him.**

**He stood there for a while looking in to the cave.**

**As far as he could see it had one big room.**

**At one end of it was a heavy wood stool.**

**At the back of the room were two openings.**

**Both of which went into a very small room.**

**Jeff walked into the cave and looked around.**

**He saw nothing strange about it.**

**It was just a big hole in the cleft.**

**There was no other entrance to the cave.**

**So what did he see when he looked through the hole?**

**He Walked to the back, looked around.**

**Then he went into one opening and out the other.**

**Nothing happened, so he walked back out of the cave.**

**He picked up his pick, put it on his shoulder and headed home.**

**Jeff went into the garage and put the pick away.  
He then went into the back yard to shoot some baskets.  
Julie was laying by the pool and looked up at him and said.  
“Boy are you in trouble, where have you been?”  
Jeff replied, “I’ve been back in the woods, Why?”  
“Mom wants you in the house.**

**Jeff went into the house trying to figure out what he had done to be in trouble.**

**He went into the living room where his mother was.**

**“Hi Mom, did you want me?”**

**Mom came to her feet.**

**“I’ll say I do young man, just where have you been for the last three days?”**

**“Mom, What do you mean three days?”**

**“I’ll tell you what I mean, No one has seen you sence Monday.”**

**“Mom, this is Monday.”**

**“Jeff don’t you try to play games with me, you know as well as I do that this is Thursday.”**

**“But Mom.”**

**“Jeff, go to your room, your father can take care of this.”**

**Jeff turned and went up to his room and sat down on his bed.**

**“What the heck is going on here anyway?”**

**He went to his computer and checked the date and time.**

**There it was as plane as day, Thursday.**

**Then Jeff thought. “It must have something to do with that cave.**

**Well I have to think of something to tell Dad that won’t make him too mad.”**

**It was four thirty and Jeff heard a knock on the door.**

**“Come in.”**

**The door opened and his Dad walked into the room.**

**“Hi Jeff.”**

**“Hi Dad.”**

**His dad sat down on the bed next to him and said.**

**“Where have you been? You had us all worried.”**

**“It’s kind of embarrassing Dad.”**

**“You know you can tell me anything Son.”**

**“O K Dad, I was with a girl.”**

**“You was with a girl for three days.”**

**“Yes sir, Her folks was gone and she was home alone and she ask me to stay with her, so I did.”**

**Dad said, “Well, ---Did you? ---Was you? Did she?”**

**“Yes Dad.”**

**“I See, ---Well wash up and come down to dinner and we’ll figure out a punishment for you later.”**

**“O K Dad.”**

**His Dad left the room stopped just outside the door, laughed a little to his self and went back down stairs.**

**He went in to his wife and said. “Well it seams that our son is growing up.”**

**She asked, “Did you find out where he was?”**

**“Yes, He was with a girl who’s parents were out of town.”**

**“With a girl, she replied. Did they,” ----**

**“I’m afraid so dear.” He said**

**She sat down and put her face in her hands. “He’s only sixteen.”**

**He said, “I don’t know why you are getting so worked up over this.”**

**“You don’t? She asked. What if next week it is Julie.”**

**“I see what you mean dear, he will be punished.**

**After dinner his Dad told him he was grounded to his room for two weeks.**

**He could only come out to the bathroom and to eat and do his chores.**

**It seamed like forever but it was finely over.**

**Jeff decided to take another look at that cave.**

**He went to his room and got his 22 target pistol and a box of bullets .**



**He would get in a lot of trouble if his dad knew he had it out.  
He put the bullets in his pocket.  
He put the gun in his belt on his back.  
But he did see something behind that wall.**

**He walked through the woods and stopped in front of the cave.  
It was just a hole in the side of the cleft, that was harmless  
enough.**

**So what happened the last time he was here.  
This time he would take it slow and keep his eyes on the  
outside of the cave.  
He walked into the cave and looked at the trees outside.  
Then he moved into the small room.  
stood there and looked around for a while.  
There was a lot of flashes of light.  
The trees kept moving and they would lose there leaves and  
grow new ones over and over.  
When he left the little room the flashes stopped and the trees  
stood still.  
then he stepped out and left the cave.**

**He didn't understand, all the trees had gotten taller.  
He walked back home and found the back gate locked.  
He walked around and went into the yard from the side  
entrance.  
Shock came over him, there was no pool, it had been taken out  
and was now all grass.  
There was a tree in the middle of the yard and a old lady was  
sitting on a swing under it.  
"May I help you?" She asked.  
Jeff said, Who are you?"  
"My name is Julie Hawn. Who are you?" She asked  
"I live close by, how long have you lived here?"**

**She replied”Sence 1971.”**

**Jeff said” What is today’s date?”**

**“Why its July 14<sup>th</sup> she said.”**

**“What year?”**

**“2031, Are you alright?”**

**“Yes, may I ask one more question, what is your maiden name?”**

**“Why it’s Dobbs, why do you ask?”**

**“No reason, Said Jeff as he turned and walked out of the yard. When he left Julie said,**

**“Seams like a nice kid, Kind of strange though.**

**Seams like I should know him. Oh well.”**

**He went back to the cave, he knew now that it was some kind of time portal.**

**He had come sixty years into the future, so there had to be a way home to the past.**

**He walked over and stepped into the U shaped hallway.**

**He thought.” I can’t tell anything, how do I know it’s working?**

**Then he glanced at his watch and the hands were spinning like a top.**

**Alright now were getting somewhere. “**

**At that time the rocks flew up and covered the entrance again.**

**He stepped out of the hallway and put his hands on the wall, it would not budge.**

**He entered the time portal again .**

**After a very long time the wall was gone once more. This time the mouth of the cave had iron bars over it so no one could enter or get out.**

**He left the time portal and walked to the mouth of the cave.**

**Looking through the bars he saw that All the trees and the houses that he knew was gone.**

**There was a city right in front of him.**

**It was strange, all of the buildings were of different shapes and sizes.**

**There were things flying through the air that looked like cars and motor cycles, but they had no wheels.**

**There were no streets or sidewalks, Some of the people were moving on round disk with a handle that they held on to, but they did not touch the ground.**

**They were passing by right outside the cave. As they went by they would look at him and laugh.**

**He entered the U again, looked at his watch, and it was moving once more.**

**He put his hand out to lean on the wall.**

**When his hand touched the wall, a small door opened and revealed a keyboard almost like on his computer.**

**When he looked at the keyboard the first thing that he saw was a pause key.**

**He tapped it and looked at his watch and it wasn't moving.**

**Above the keyboard was digital letters that read 9.23 A M 09 01 2820**

**“My God, he thought I'm nine thousand years in the future.”**

**He looked outside the cave and shock went through him.**

**All the buildings that he had seen before was gone.**

**They were all just heaps on the ground.**

**There were no people or anything else that he could see.**

**He decided he would take a look around.**

**Just for a moment he would leave the protection of the cave.**

**All he saw was destruction.**

**There were just piles of what was once buildings.**

**There were no trees, not even a blade of grass.**

**Jeff went around to his left.**

**He found a place where the land sloped to the top of the cleft.**

**He started walking up the hill.**

**Maybe he could get a better view from up there.**

**The dirt was soft, his steps were unsure.**

Several times he thought he was going to slide off the cleft.  
Then suddenly he stopped, he heard something, what was it?  
Slowly he moved on.  
It got louder, he was getting closer to it.  
He put his hand behind his back on his gun.

Finely he got to the top of the hill.  
He was on the very top of the cleft.  
He found his self facing a preacher about seven feet tall.  
It was humanoid, ape like and looked to be female.  
It had hair all over it's body.  
The noise sounded like she was crying.  
down a small hill by the edge of the cleft was her child.  
It was about ten feet down to where the child was.  
It's foot was against a rock but the hill was lose dirt.  
He looked down at the child and then at her.  
He had an idea that mite work. But if the child fell off the cleft.  
Jeff was sure that she would throw him off.  
Anyway there was no way he could walk away from this.  
He eased his way over to her and lay down on the ground.  
He touched her leg and patted the ground for her to lay down.  
Finely she did as he asked her to.  
Then he placed her hand around his ankle.  
He closed her hand very tightly and she understood.  
Then he slid head first down the hill.  
He stretched out as far as he could, he was almost there.  
The mother seamed to know what was going on.  
She moved a little closer and extended her arm as far as she  
could.  
Jeff reached out and grab the child by the hand.  
And she pulled them both back up to her.  
Jeff watched the two as they hugged and made over each other.  
Then the child came over to Jeff and hugged him.  
After which they turned and walked away.  
Jeff had seen enough, it was time to go back now.

He turned and made his way down the hill.  
Just as he got back to the cave, he heard someone scream.  
He left the cave and saw a girl running his way.  
Behind her a little ways was a strange looking animals that ran  
on two feet.  
It had hair all over it's body.  
It was only about five feet tall.  
The hair looked like it could be a foot long.  
There was no way to tell what it looked like.  
But Jeff knew it was not the same as the one he helped on top  
of the cleft.  
It did not run very fast at all.  
It was only about eight feet from her.  
She let out another scream.  
Jeff put his hand behind him and brought out his gun.  
He yelled at her to run his way.

By this time the girl was almost even with him.  
Jeff shot two times.  
His ame was true, it hit the thing in the head.  
It fell to the ground and did not move.  
He turned and looked at the girl.  
She was very dirty and her clothes were all ragged and torn.  
Even then she was a vision of loveliness.  
He ask her if she was alright.  
She just looked at him with a strange look.  
He looked at the thing again, it had not moved.  
He then turned and went back into the cave.  
She watched him for a moment then followed him.  
He stayed there with her and tried to get her to talk to him.  
He finely decided that she could not talk.  
He was about to say good by when he heard a strange noise.  
He could see the fear in her eyes.  
Then he saw three more of the things that was chasing her.  
They were heading strait for the cave.

**She was about ready to run, he took her hand.  
He then led her into the time warp.  
The things were at the mouth of the cave.  
They were looking at them and drooling from the mouth.  
They were growling and looked very Hungary.  
Jeff held her hand and typed in a date from the past and hit  
the go button and away they went.**

**The girl saw the three things disappear.  
and she looked at him and smiled.  
Finely he had figured out how to go back in time.  
He started his journey home.  
He would stop every so often to see how things were changing.  
The wall had went up and down again so he knew about when  
he came in.**

**Then all of a sudden the wall went up once more.  
he hit the pause button and stepped out.  
He looked at the wall, there was that little hole.  
he had passed his time.  
He thought he heard something outside.  
There was a wood stool in the corner.  
he had seen it when it was light in there.  
He pulled it over to the wall.  
He climbed up on it and looked through the hole.  
He could not believe his eyes.  
He saw his self outside the wall, He was standing on that big  
rock.  
Then Jeff realized that he and his counterpart was staring  
right into each others eyes.  
Jeff moved away from the hole.  
He now knew what he had seen before.  
when he was outside and looked back at the wall.  
He had seen him self through the hole.**

**He waited for a moment then peeked through the hole once more.**

**His counterpart was walking away.**

**Then he turned around and looked back at the wall.**

**Jeff saw him looking and moved away from the hole.**

**He looked once more, and he was gone.**

**Jeff moved away from the hole and put the stool back into the corner**

**.**

**He then walked over to the time portal.**

**He thought his arrival date should be the 20<sup>th</sup> of June.**

**He set the clock on the keyboard and pressed the go key.**

**The next time it stopped the wall was down, he hoped he was home this time.**

**Then he looked at the girl.**

**“How will I ever explain you to my mom.”**

**Then he took her by the hand and started through the trees.**

**She kept looking all around her and she held onto Jeff’s arm.**

**He took her into the back yard and into the house.**

**On the table was a note.**

**It read, Gone to the store, back soon, Mom and Julie.**

**He opened the fridge, got out some fried chicken.**

**He took a piece and gave her one.**

**He took a bite and she took a bite.**

**She ate five pieces of chicken.**

**She ate have a loaf of bred.**

**She drank two glasses of milk.**

**She ate a piece of apple pie.**

**At that time his mother and Julie came in.**

**They looked at her and then at Jeff.**

**Then his mother said, “Who is your friend Jeff?”**

**Jeff said”Awh I will explain all when Dad comes home.”**

**His mother said, “I can hardly wait.”**

**Julie said, “I will get her cleaned up and get her some clothes.”**

**She put her hand out to the girl.**

**The girl grabbed Jeff by the arm.**

**Jeff put her hand into Julie’s and told her to go with her.**

**The girl was reluctant but she went.**

**With Mom’s help they finely got her through her first bath.**

**Then Julie’s got her some clothes to ware.**

**They combed and brushed her hair and trimmed it up.**

**Then they had her stand in front of a mirror.**

**She had never seen herself before.**

**She just stood there and stared at herself.**

**Then they brought her back down stairs.**

**When Jeff saw her, he stood up and smiled at her.**

**He shook his head as though he didn’t believe it.**

**When his Dad got home Jeff told them all that had happen to him.**

**He also told them all about the girl.**

**About how he had saved her life.**

**About how far he had went into the future.**

**His Dad was very angry with him.**

**He forbid him to go anywhere near that cave again.**

**His Mother said “Well she has to have a name.”**

**Julie said, “How about Future?”**

**Dad said, “That’s a good name.**

**but she has to have a last name also.”**

**Julie said, “We can give her Dobbs, She can be our cousin.”**

**THE END**