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## IRON TRIAD HIDEOUTS RAIDED BUT RAT LEADER STILL AT LARGE

Three weeks ago, the Baronial Troops of Ravensburg successfully raided several Iron Triad hideouts. They chased the rat Xun from his hole, and it is believed that he circle walked from Bluebrook. He is thought to have run west or to the Silver Glenn Duchy, either hiding with his bandits in the Wyvern's Wood, or in the sewers of Freeton. He is a wanted on multiple counts of murder, theft, and treason. If possible, the suspect should be taken alive; however, a confirmed permanent death will be rewarded.



at the hands of the Vampires and Illithids. On that same note, I would like to extend a personal thanks to the Evermore Tribe, and those that traveled with them on Friday night in their valiant rescue of my oldest son, and daughter.

Although we were unable to find the other Guildmasters, the guilds of Freeton would like to thank you all for rescuing our townspeople. We are grateful that the enslaved townspeople were not killed while defeating the enslavers. Also, the crush of Shriek the bat was a great boost to Freeton's morale. The Necromancer herself is securely in prison, thanks to the bravery of you adventurers.



All adventurers in Freeton aided us in our time of need. I hope to see everyone again at the next gather; only this time, I hope it is under less stressful circumstances.

Peter Rabbit  
Freeton Earth Guildmaster

## FREETON EARTH GUILDMASTER EXTENDS THANKS FOR AID

I would like to thank all adventurers that were at Freeton in early November for their help in rescuing the townspeople from enslavement

## GUARDSMEN SLAUGHTERED

Freeton Guardsmen resurrected recently in the Guild Hall. They had

been dispatched to arrest archaeologist Alfonse Lorand, who had been seen running through the sewers, mumbling and screaming. Lorand is wanted for questioning on the disappearance of his assistant, Deirdre Mason.

The Guards that survived the resurrection told a rather terrifying tale. After a rather long chase through the sewers, they had finally cornered Lorand.

However, it seems he was not running from the guards. One guard stated, "He wasn't runnin' from us, somethin' had 'im spooked, bad. We found out what."

As they moved to arrest Lorand, the suspect covered his eyes and screamed, "The Beast's Chosen comes! Flee, flee for your lives!" Then a creature that seemed born of darkness rifted in. It attacked and fear seemed to emanate from it, throwing the guards into disarray.

Another Guard commented, "After we was scattered, it got as silent as da grave. I couldn't hear it, but I knew it was dere, not one of us made it out of those blasted sewers alive. It hunted us down and it gutted us like pigs. I ain't never seen anythin' like it, and I never want ta see it again."

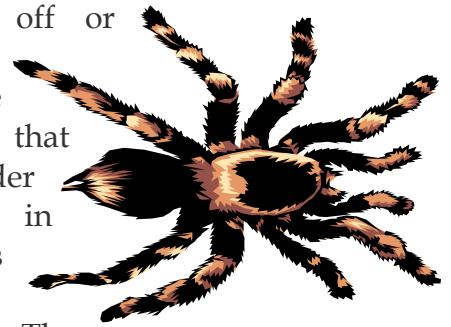
Two Guardsmen did not resurrect successfully, and their bodies are still missing. The Celestial Guild has

offered a reward for the safe return of these bodies.

## SPIDER QUEEN FLUSHED FROM THE WOODS

Guardsmen and members of the Freeton Guilds recently attacked an Addercob hideout on the outskirts of town. Although the Spider Queen escaped the assault, it has been hailed as another victory. As for the whereabouts of the Spider Queen, she is believed to have returned to her spiders in the sewers. It was shortly after this raid that tunnels were sealed off or collapsed.

However, one should note that the Spider Queen being in the sewers is only speculation. The spiders may be under the influence of other more dangerous creatures.



## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Aeran'Or Times Editors:

I have a problem. In a word, gypsies.

Where are they all coming from? It used to be that merchants could safely ply their trades without fear of being ripped off by these degenerate tribes and their disgusting friends.

It was bad enough to simply put up with the two tribes native to Aeran'Or. Now there are more moving to this country! Blackbirds? Kanerishtis? Others? What is a poor textile merchant to do?

I have a suggestion for all of the merchants of Aeran'Or: Do not do business with gypsies! Let them starve. Eventually they will leave the country if we all just **stick together**.

**When gypsies come to market:**

1. Watch them carefully.
2. Do not let them handle your wares. Keep them from touching your merchandise, as they will break or soil it in order to get it for a better price.
3. Raise your prices whenever a gypsy approaches you to do business. If they know that you are out of their price range, they will be less likely to bother you in the future.
4. Do not buy anything from them. Check with other local merchants to see if the wares offered are actually stolen.

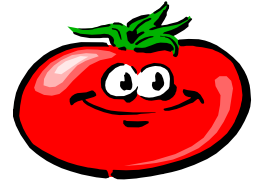
Furthermore, if you see other merchants who are doing business with gypsies, do not conduct commerce with *them*. All merchants must stick together to make it through this gypsy crisis.

Diligently,  
T. Cornelius Malvern  
Malvern Textiles and Sundries

## GREEN CHEESE SQUARES

By Rumor Wrenfeather

- 1 package moon rolls
- 8 oz. creamy cheese
- 8 oz. bitter cream
- 2 eggs from a chicken
- 1 garlic clove, smashed
- 7 oz. jar basil pesto
- 1 large tomato
- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese



Preheat fire to 375. Unroll moon rolls onto rectangular sheet and roll to seal perforations. Bake 10 or so minutes to lightly golden color.

Reduce fire to 325. Combine creamy cheese, bitter cream, chicken eggs and smashed garlic.

Beat till evenly smooth. Spread over crust. Scoop pesto over creamy cheese. Drag knife through pesto to form swirls. Bake 20 minutes or until center is set. Cool 10 minutes.

Dice tomato. Sprinkle tomato, Parmesan and fresh basil leaves over the dish. Slice into 15 squares.

## RUMORS

*~Normally, you would think that sheep scavengers do not shiver, with all that wool in their coat. So why do sheep scavengers shake and tremble when they see Cindar, the Mystic Wood Elf? Does it have something to do with how he helps them over the fence?~*

*~Also, remember the succulent cookies Gehenna Evermore made a month ago at the Freeton tavern? Apparently, Cindar enjoyed her "cookies" so much that he wrote a nice letter to Gehenna's husband, Curunir, saying just how "good" Gehenna's many confections can really be. What do you expect when your wife lives with a bunch of Mystics?~*

*~The gypsy Rumor Wrenfeather has been noticeably absent from many recent gatherings. Is she still enjoying her honeymoon with Mystic Wood Elf, Ash, or has something sinister happened to her? Perhaps, she is in hiding to keep a secret of some sort.~*

*~Spiders in the Freeton sewers have been seen again. Their attacks have not stopped, and they have sealed areas with webs. It is believed many of the recent cave-ins are attributed to them or at least to whatever is directing them. The Old Portal Room has been blocked. Recent sightings of the Spider Queen seem to indicate that she is directing her spiders to protect the area, but for what purpose? That has yet to be determined.~*

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## OUT OF GAME

### GREETINGS MYSTIC WOOD ELF PLAYERS

Have you always wondered if there are more of us out there?

Well, here's a great place to meet fellow MWE players from all over!

Join my new Mystic Wood Elf Yahoo group at:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/neromwe/>

To subscribe to this group, send an email to:

[neromwe-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:neromwe-subscribe@yahoogroups.com)

Come join the gang!

~Chris / Jester

See you soon!

## REMINDERS

If you are not wearing a white headband while at any POLAR game, you are considered in-game.

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*Have a Safe and Happy  
Holiday Season!* 