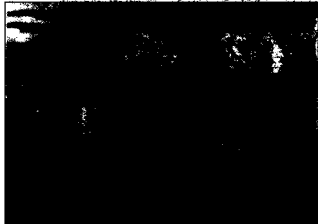


A bit green behind the ears? Check out one of our Guilds, Baronies, or even a Merc group. Most people are very helpful, at least for a few coin! If you are the loner type, watch, learn, and be careful. In this town, the sheep are quickly separated from the wolves.

## Xur Imprisoned, Grimli lost?!

Wow! What a twist! Saturday night of last gather the undead void tainted beast



known as Xur made good his threats to the town

of Clanthia and the Sutherlands as a whole. He showed up with his own lieutenant who spoke for the Death Knight and relayed his demands to the Barons and the people. What were those demands? Well read on!

Xur offered to leave the town and the Sutherlands and not return for 100 years if the Nobles would turn over the bones of Akeem. He never stated for what purpose he wanted the bones, but the wise in town speculated that Xur wanted to restore theliche and place him under his command, in a role reversal of the past millennium. Antarr Duvall, Moira, Count Losar, Baron Harold, Lord Brogan, Baron Lamech, Dahlia of Sahde, and Morgrim all were seen taking council as to what the best course would be for the Sutherlands.

At one point they offered to split the bones with Xur, but the Sutherlands would retain the all important Skull. Xur declined this offer, and made the same offer to the Sutherlands, who also declined. After more than an hour of negotiations it became clear neither side would agree, and talks were called off.

The Sutherlands made ready to defend themselves.

Various odd creatures began the initial attack, but Xur himself stayed out of the fray. The battle waged back and forth, with the town holding its own, behind the strong arms of Isoldur, River, and Bael. A particularly nasty wave of attacks saw most of the Healers Guild and Golden Lions felled, but in a strange act of kindness Xur used Void magic and restored them to the living, with the "request" that they speak with their Nobles and return to him the bones of his brother.



Several towns people were taken hostage including Dame Gwynne of Rossanoe. She fought her captors with valor but was overwhelmed by the superior numbers of her foes. She too was released with the request to speak with her Nobles about their decision. As the battle continued the Sutherlands fought well, but was worn down by the powerful Undead of Xur. Xur himself did not enter the fray, and it appeared that recently returned juggernaut Bael of Sahde might go toe to toe, but discretion turned out to be the better part of Valor for the big fighter.

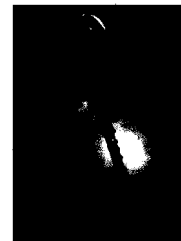
At last Grimli appeared on the field, with the Bones of Akeem. Xur smelled blood then, and charged blindly after the former Warlord and Baron. Nearly half of Xur's forces pursued Morgrim and death seemed imminent for the drae. What happened now is foggy at best, as the town was still engaged in heavy fighting with the other half of their foes. But it appears that Morgrim activated magic in his shield, which was thought to have been lost, and opened the Graveyard. He then waited few more moments and allowed it to spread,

before he closed it again, trapping himself, Xur and the other undead in there.

The town was fighting for it's very lives and in the cool fog of the early morning hours missed the whole thing! When the enemy was gone a frantic search only turned up Grimli's Shield and Xur's sword and breastplate.

What this will mean is uncertain, and the tricky part is what will happen once the graveyard presumably opens at All Hallows. Any information should be taken to a Baron or the Count.

## Potential Blood Bath at the Celestial Guild?!



With the rumored return of Sefhrina to Clanthia, will she seek to boot the Guild Master Kal'Eras from the Guild? Inside sources say the two are fast friends and boon companions, but the lure of power has caused friendships to splinter before, and blood

to be spilled! Time will tell, but this certainly warrants a close look,

## Atani to lead Territory of Darholme

With the loss of Morgrim, he had passed the torch to long time companion Atani. These are huge shoes to fill indeed, but Atani is a wily veteran of Clanthia and reportedly has already petitioned Count Losar for full Baronial status, and the rights that come with it. Whether this will come to pass is not known, but we would like to find out!

### Reward offered – Lost Silver Long Sword

The sword was lost by one of my Lions Friday night in the battle with the Void last gather. Its just a plain ole magic sword, nothing special. If anyone has any info, contact me via the Healer's Guild. A reward can be discussed or you can just give it to me since I am such a nice guy.

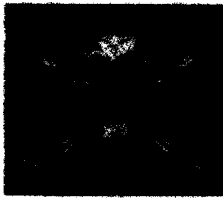
**Sir Zettus the Mute**

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## Kudos to the Isles



This editor often watches the action from the woods, so to speak, and sees the comings and goings of the various groups, and more than a few murders on the trails! Oh if only the Count knew some of the things I do! Charges would certainly be forthcoming.

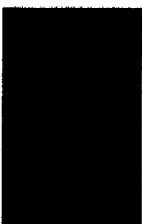
Anyway, I have noticed that the Isles d'Honig under the banner of Baron Harold have been fighting with renewed vigor and evident pride in their Barony as of late. Such leadership is a boon for the Isles and indeed all of the Sutherlands. Well done Ladies and Gentlemen!

## Sahde looks for Leadership



Former Lady Dahlia of Sahde seems to be making her case for the absent Baroness position in Sahde. Currently the Elven Princes Talendra leads all the elves, but her radical anti-human views are well known and frankly this makes the human heavy Sutherlands a bit nervous. Rumors are that Dahlia has the backing of the small Sahde contingent at the Gathers.

## Rossanoe in Turmoil



This once proud Barony has been hit hard the past few months with losses of several long standing Nobles and citizens. Rove, Tyco, and Izabeau have all resigned or left the Barony and been absent from gathers, although there is the possibility of a return. Lord Brogan plans to spend the next year in practice and study, and Baron Aaron himself has been busy putting out fires at home so to speak and missed the last gather. Once leading candidate for next Baron, (former?) Lord Nobody seems to have lost interest in the position and prefers to stalk the shadows instead of leading men and women. Will Baron Aaron find the strength to bring in young blood? We can only hope so, because his wisdom and humor would be sorely missed if he retired to the quiet life.

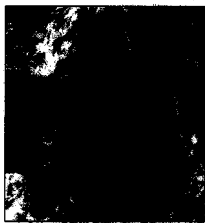
## Sudbyr having problems



The mighty Barony of Sudbyr, called bullies and brutes by many towns people, seems to be having its own problems. Baron Lamech is rumored to be stripping his Seneschal Lord Pharr at the orders of Count Losar, as well as at least one other Noble. Treason in the ranks? Consolidating power? The Crier wants to know!

## Looking for a student of "earth" magic

Lord Pharr of Sudbyr sent this in to the Crier via a not so healthy looking chap. "I am considering taking a new student of "Earth" magic. Elora, my current student, has completed her immediate studies and now is an Adept of the Arts that we practice. I have no doubt she will rise to the rank of Master/Mistress soon. I salute you Elora for your dedication and look forward to what we will accomplish together in the future.



With that said, I now have time to dedicate to a new student. Scholars and Templars only please, Earth Magic Primary. I do not deal with dabblers. Soul Oaths are involved. Please seek me out in person at the Sudbyr Embassy or in town."

-Lord Pharr

## Rumors – You heard it here first.

- Antarr Du'Vall... a Sylvan Fae?! And in the Mystic Order? What is the world coming to. He must love his fiancé very much to give up his life's work.
- A strange mix of Dryads and Satyrs have been seen on the edges of the Sutherlands. First hand reports say that the females are very "hot" and can almost charm males without using a spell! They have been dubbed Drytars....
- It has been heard that the Uriel's Guard will do anything... for money.
- In what might have been his final feast, Morgrim allowed any female surface elf to sit on his lap.
- Gypsy Café' where are you! Warm cider in this cold weather will be welcome.
- There are only 3 pure Necromancers left in Clanthia. Is their era at an end?
- Sahde changing colors? Rumors are that Sahde is turning a new leaf and will be donning new colors and tabards soon.
- Will Jester indeed have the last laugh? This could be interesting!