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BREAKING NEWS

Devouring Host Strikes Azure Watch

- *Maxine Laris & Alissandra Primmington*



Unfortunate news came upon Exodarian territories this evening as the Devouring Host launched an assault on Azure Watch, a draenei camp near the Exodar in the Ammen Vale. Fortunately, Stormwind Intelligence (SI:7) gathered intelligence earlier this week that provided signs an attack was imminent. SI:7 made the discovery based on plans recovered from a Devouring Host attack on Ashenvale last week, and SI:7 has been monitoring the Devouring Host's activity since they launched an assault on Stormwind City earlier this month. The warning was relayed to Exodarian Minister of Foreign Affairs Talatia and Ambassador Nerva, the Exodar's ambassador to Stormwind, both of whom sent a call out to their allies to join them at Azure Watch in preparation for the assault. Stormwind responded by dispatching contingents of the Stormwind City Guard, SI:7, Stormwind Silver Hand, Stormwind Ministry of Magic, and Stormwind Ministry of Health. The Valdrakken Accord also responded in force, as

did mercenaries from The Gilded Ledger. The objective of the invaders was to capture the Exodar's arkonite crystals and harvest them for their own nefarious purposes.

The first signs of trouble arose when SI:7 scouts directed by SI:7 Director Valrath Silvermane spotted Twilight's Blade cultists corrupting local wildlife with the Void under the supervision of Shadowguard ethereal nexus-stalkers. While Vindicator Def'llium worked to secure the locals and ensure their safety, Lieutenant Commander Kaialanea Clearsoul of the Stormwind City Guard assumed command over the foreign forces that had arrived. In spite of the overwhelming Void forces that met the defenders at the camp, the timely use of ballistas did well to repel the greater threat of their advancement, which was formulated from the twisted forms of Void-born horrors and the unfortunate thralls of the local fauna. While both Senator Aayina Swesky, who represents Lakeshire in the Stormwind Senate but was on the battlefield as a member of the Stormwind Ministry of Magic, and her sister, Ms. Synaria Swesky of the Valdrakken Accord, did well to launch warding volleys at the advancing Void forces, their initial round served more to ward the enemy more than put them to heel. That first honor fell to Ms. Lucy Belle of Valdrakken, who lit up the Azuremyst skies with the sparking discharge of balista-fire against an unfortunate grouping of Twilight's Blade acolytes.

Whilst the defensive force braced themselves for the Host's advance on the Watch after their initial salvo of Light and arcane, the vanguard consisting of the likes of Warden Zazhagas of Valdrakken, Vindicator Voran of the Exodar, and SI:7 Agent Lionheart, who real name is being withheld, acted with valor to thrust their bodies upon the first-most waves of the Devouring Host with not an ounce of trepidation. They met the host with gnashing, crashing, and crushing blows in favor of saving the greater scope of their company from having to endure the profaned touch of their foe's dark magics. The advance was well and truly a rounding success, as the first brushes with the Devouring Host were met with a harsh repel. One would imagine the first throng of the Devouring Host's fodder had not quite expected to meet the better end of ballista fire, or mechanized warframes like the ones Senator Mathias Emberpaw of Sentinel Hill and Stormwind Minister of Foreign Affairs Jacerian Brightwater, nor the otherwise audacious threat of a mechanical devilsaur wielded by Ms. Coraline Duskfeather of Valdrakken, who turned the fields to flame with its gouts of breathed fire. It was a most unfortunate turn of events for the invading force.

The first wave of the Host met an unfortunate end in a brutal burst of carnage, leaving the scant few spared within the initial repelling burst to beat a battered retreat. Alas, before the defensive force could rest on their victory and reconvene back to Azure Watch, a secondary contingent advanced from the carnage with their own Void-twisted salvo of wrapped explosives upon the collective alliance. The greater company found themselves ablebodied enough to avoid the derelict discharge, but alas not all were so fortunate. Yet good fortune did

allow not a single soul to be rendered incapacitated, allowing all those at the front line to rally back to formation and afford the ballistas to their flank to give a well deserved reprisal.

While much of the defending force focused their efforts on thinning the ranks of the Host flowing out from the Ammen Vale, many were quick to adjust their attention towards the looming and sudden threat of a starved ultradon serving as a manner of a siege beast for the depraved invaders. Mr. Severus of the Valdrakken Accord rallied the front-most force to topple the burdensome beast, aided by Mr. Jadoth in taking vantage shots at the monstrosity. Lady Hythloth carved her axe through the tendons of it. The collective show of force was more than enough to decimate the beast and strike fear into the dastardly hearts of the Devouring Host. Mr. Garrick Alondias of The Gilded Ledger furthered efforts at carving down the acolytes' numbers aided in keeping the defensive rally a thunderous success, forcing the Host further down the vale and depriving them of even the most token success in their efforts.

More Void artillery was readied after the first wave was destroyed, this time protected by ground troops consisting of more ethereals and cultists as well as voidwalkers. As the last fleeting numbers of the Host made their last stand, summoning forth their twisted beasts and ogre conspirators from the brush, LTC Clearsoul and Ambassador Nerva commanded the last round of ballista salvos with a sharp, "FIRE!". While the final rain did not entirely serve to decimate the enemy lines due to a few shambling hands and unaligned shots, the burst of Holy Light of each round served well to bolster the ground forces to thin out the remaining line of encroachers. Sergeant First Class Sammaril Meridia of the Stormwind City Guard rode the high of previous successes in defending the line and set herself upon a mass of mages in the back most line, along with SI:7 Agent Deadeye, hoping to deprive the Host of their own reprisals after the attempt to break their line with explosives.

It was in the quiet breaks in pushing the enemy back that those like Lady Erunne Lightdancer of Valdrakken and Dr. Velara of the Exodar worked to quickly salve the wounds of their compatriots, along with the mass efforts of Stormwind Minister of Health Dr. Roseilain Beckwith, Captain Dellylene Seasky of the Stormwind City Guard, and Mr. Merrick Blackclaw of The Gilded Ledger, who did well to avoid drawing any ire from the thinning ranks of his foe. One such quiet lull set in as the Devouring Host beat a hastened retreat under the overwhelming might of the defending alliance, but it also heralded the ominous loom of their arriving commander. It had been hard to discern which of the two frightened the Devouring Host more, the army that had just obliterated their every effort with ease or their drooling lunk of a single-eyed commander.

Having seen so many of his forces destroyed, the coordinator of the attack, an ogre Chieftain Vor'Goth, revealed himself as "The Eclipse Smasher" and endeavored to succeed where his forces had failed. Chieftain Vor'Goth marched throughout the battlefield, consuming

his own voidwalkers in his wake, before reaching and striking at the Alliance frontlines. In a show of force, the lumbering Chieftain Vor'Goth attempted to flood the field and overtake the defending army in the twisting deluge of Void. It was a show that ultimately did little beyond bruising a scant few of the ranks before the whole of the army descended upon the oppressive threat. After the initial wave, the whole of the vanguard, at the direction of Commander Johnathan Jellyroll of the Stormwind City Guard and Vindictor Def'llium threw their blades, arrows, burning magic, and a surprising number of metal fists and teeth upon the oaf of a commander, reducing him to a flailing infant terrified of being put to rest.

To such an end, the desperate chieftain made a fleeting bid to flood the scene with his outpouring of consumed Void energies. Yet it served all too little and a pittance in might compared to the deluge of Light and weaved aid from the collective forces of the backline of the vanguard. In his final moments, begrudging recognition of those that decimated his whole forces was all that could be read upon his face before he drew his final, strained breaths. A breath all the more stunted by the final wave of Light charged ballista fire summoned by Minister Talatia being sent to skewer and sunder him down where he stood. The Lightforged orbital bombardment at Minister's Talatia's order decimated any remnants of the Devouring Host's footprint in the Ammen Vale.

In the end, it had all been a remarkable showing of the might of the Alliance and the pitiful shame for the forces of the Void. The Light of those like Sir Jay Lawry of the Stormwind Silver Hand stood and served with the forces of the Alliance, acting as its bulwark in defense of the grand home of the draenei people. While these efforts would certainly not be the last desperate efforts of the Devouring Host and their illicit machinations to strike terror in the heart of the denizens of Azeroth, it served more as a stark reminder of the strength of our unity in how the Alliance stands before any encroaching threat.

Advertisements & Events

SCCC General Education Class

- *Lady Rose*

Join Stormwind City Community College for its weekly General Education Class tomorrow at 4:00 PM RT at the gazebo behind the Cathedral of Light. Topics for the classes vary from session to session and depend on the expertise of the professor leading the lecture. You never know what you might learn! In addition to exposure to new information or ways of thinking, the classes are also an excellent opportunity to socialize with others who have curious minds. Contact college dean Professor Talatia for insights on this week's class, though interested participants do not need to take any preparations beforehand. Just show up with a thirst for knowledge!

Stormwind Public Health Commission

- *Lady Rose*

The Stormwind Ministry of Health's Public Health Commission is tasked with maintaining the health of the residents of the Kingdom of Stormwind. Members of the Public Health Commission advise the Stormwind Senate on all matters regarding health and also have access to operate practices in any public clinic in Stormwind, including the Cathedral Square Clinic. The PHC also offers medical licenses and training to those seeking to advance their knowledge in the field of medicine. If you are interested in exploring all the possibilities at the Public Health Commission, contact Stormwind Minister of Health Dr. Roseilain Beckwith.

Stormwind Silver Hand

- *Lady Rose*



The Stormwind Chapter of the Knights of the Silver Hand is calling all paladins within Stormwind to join their ranks as defenders of the Stormwind Diocese of the Church of the Holy Light. The Stormwind Silver Hand frequently embarks on combat missions in defense of the Church and in aid of the broader Silver Hand while also providing safeguarding of Church property in Stormwind, like the Cathedral of Light. Those wishing to take up this noble mantle should contact Highlord Tayos Dante to join.

News

Chicken and Dumpling Dinner at the Stormwind City Soup Kitchen

- *Varric Dwyer*



The Stormwind Ministry of Services' Stormwind City Soup Kitchen set up its tables in the shadow of the Cathedral of the Light last evening, performing its weekly ministration to the needy. While the night was quiet at the beginning, the conclusion of a meeting of the Stormwind House of Nobles brought many of Stormwind's nobles to the square to provide donations and offer aid. Efforts were led by Stormwind Minister of Services Varric Dwyer. He was joined by Senator Mathias Emberpaw, who represents Sentinel Hill in the Stormwind Senate, Mother Eveneah Rosewood, Ms. Marcy Brown, and Ms. Lanelle Nightbow as volunteers. Stormwind Minister of Health Dr. Roseilain Beckwith oversaw the medical needs of any visitors, and she also accepted donations from those willing to supply the kingdom's clinics with blood. One of Stormwind's most-recently licensed medicas, Dr. Alastreya, observed her work. Corporal Kaelaane of the Stormwind City Guard kept careful watch to ensure the safety of everyone who visited. Lady Aritella Lyranthira kindly provided music for the drive, further enhancing the atmosphere.

The offering of the night was bowls of chicken and dumplings, bringing a little comfort food to those who needed it the most. Tender shreds of chicken mingled with carrots, celery, peas, onions, and potatoes all beneath a rich, herb seasoned broth. Garlic butter green beans sat on the side with a cucumber and tomato salad beside it. Of course no good bowl of dumplings should leave a drop behind, so each plate held a square of honey buttered cornbread to scoop up the rest of the stew. For dessert was a delicious helping of war black berry cobbler, and a glass of peach lemonade to wash it all down.

The night was not just about filling the stomachs of the hungry! On the medic side, a helping hand was given by Senator Emberpaw and Senator Umbry Ravenspire of Goldshire, who donated blood to help all those who need it within Stormwind. Senator Emberpaw was first in line for this donation, despite seeming to never grow comfortable with the process. Senator Ravenspire followed suit, even if his motivations seemed tied to the dessert that was taunting him from the kitchen set up! Whatever the motivation, every donation was taken with a happy smile as every donation helps those in need. Several also graced us with material or monetary donations to help all those in the kingdom included. Emperpaw Engineering donated a generous amount of gold, another generous sum of gold was donated by Ms. Svevif on behalf of Ms. Savi Wintermoore, and Ms. Akihona donated spiced wolf meat. The soup kitchen gladly accepts all kinds of donations, from ingredients to coins, as every contribution helps those in need. Mother Rosewood graciously blessed each of the donors.

While everyone was enjoying their stew, the evening also offered opportunities to catch up! Sergeant First Class Sammaril Meridia of the Stormwind City Guard recently made her return to law enforcement work, and her presence at the food drive was a welcome home. All the talk of food led to Ambassador Nerva, the Exodar's ambassador to Stormwind, chatting with Senator Ravenspire about the success of her tavern, The Crystal Talbuk. Stormwind Minister of Commerce Galen Kane also made his weekly visit, trying to stay out of trouble while jokingly noting that his wife, Senator Phearie Shadowdrift-Kane, was out of town this week. Whether or not he can accomplish this particular goal remains to be seen, but he did at least manage throughout the dinner!

If you would like to contribute to this noble cause, feel free to contact Minister Dwyer at any time. The soup kitchen accepts gold, supplies, and the donation of your free time if you would like to assist. The Stormwind City Soup Kitchen accepts gold, supplies, and volunteers from any who are willing to contribute. A soup kitchen drive takes place every Thursday evening from 9:00 to 11:00 PM RT in Cathedral Square. Contact Minister Dwyer for more details.

Travel Tips: Krasarang Wilds

- *Salvina Ward*

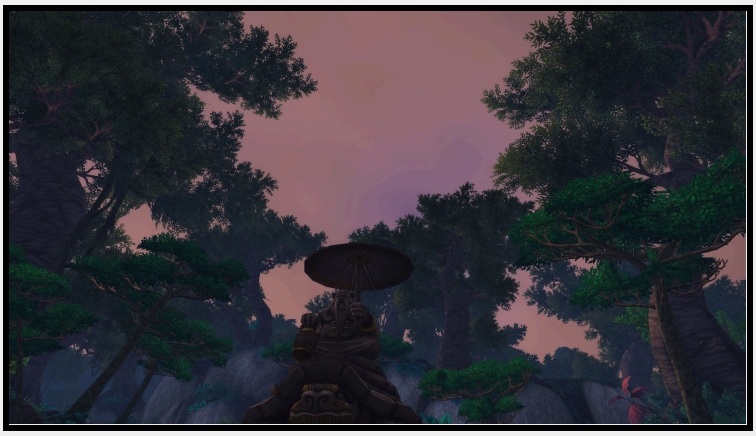


Our journey across the realms of Azeroth and beyond takes us now to the southern shores of Pandaria, to one of the more feral and untamed portions of the continent but not without its beauty. Just south of the Valley of the Four Winds, the lush jungles of the Krasarang Wilds are home to much wonder and history but also immense danger as well. The Wilds are often seen as the frontier for both the pandaren and for the former Mogu Empire, a region where not even the power of Emperor Lei Shen's successors could fully tame and for good reason. Tigers and panthers prowl the forest floor while pythons and condors hunt in the canopy. Bands of saurok, lizard people with an unquenchable thirst for bloodshed and plunder, pose a major threat. Yet to get through the forests will eventually lead you to one of the most special of places in Pandaria, Turtle Beach, where history was changed forever and a tradition began that endures to this day.

Here is where the legendary explorer Mr. Liu Lang set off on the back of a giant turtle. Mr. Lang was once a pandaren that, after the Sundering, yearned to explore the wider world and departed on the back of a turtle named Shin-zin-su, who later would grow to gargantuan sizes. Despite onlookers saying that the pair were mistaken and silly, granted they may have looked quite silly, their journey came to fruition. The pair made it across the world and came back to Pandaria to recount the tales of the things they had seen, always returning to the same beach that Shin-zin-su hatched at. They brought forth tales of cities of gold, bovine creatures wandering endless plains, a vast empire under the ice, and so much more. With each voyage, more and more would arrive to explore the world together. They soon became the pandaren of the Wandering Isle.

Just like Mr. Lang and Shin-zin-su did, to venture off the roads and towards the wilds themselves brings you to the most famous sites in all of Pandaria, away from all the archaeological sites or the riches of the jungle itself. The beautiful, pristine beaches that dot the

southern coast, with their pure white sand, are a perfect spot for fishing or a date, as well as to watch the turtles hatch and make for the water before they return. Perhaps that is the example and the lesson of the Wilds themselves; only good fortunes come to those who take immense risks and venture off the known roads and into the unknown only to return with tales of glory and adventure. They wouldn't know what they are missing until they try. If it is an adventure you seek and a legendary person to emulate, then look no further than Krasarang Wilds!



Behind the Badge

City Hall Bombing: Arrest of Sindra Voidheart

- *Madison Hale (Guest Columnist) & Lady Rose*

Sindra Voidheart, a female ren'dorei, was arrested by the Stormwind City Guard on August 21, 2026 at 12:00 AM RT. Ms. Voidheart entered City Hall with a bomb and threatened to detonate it if her demands were not met. Before her demands could be made clear, she detonated the explosive, injuring Mr. Dead Li, Mr. Lao, and Guard Madison Hale and causing damage to the building. Mr. Qibo Quickdraw tended to his friends while Corporal Kaelaane joined Guard Madison in confronting Ms. Voidheart. Ms. Voidheart's attacks hit Mr. Quickdraw, bringing him into the battle as well. The guards and the pandaren were able to detain and arrest Ms. Voidheart. Ms. Voidheart was charged with two counts of petty treason, three counts of assault with a deadly weapon, one count of bombing, one count of arson, one count of vandalism, one count of making threats, one count of resisting arrest, and one count of disturbing the peace and was sentenced to serve time in the Stockades.

Arrest Warrant: Thomas Hayes

- *Kaelaane (Guest Columnist) & Lady Rose*

The Stormwind City Guard has issued an arrest warrant for Thomas Hayes, a male human. Mr. Hayes approached Corporal Kaelaane at the food drive hosted by the Stormwind City Soup Kitchen in order to turn himself in for starting a bar fight the previous night. Corporal Kaelaane handcuffed him without issue, but Mr. Hayes apparently had a change of heart while en route to the Stockades, as he shoved Corporal Kaelaane down and ran off.

Mr. Hayes is wanted for one count of petty treason, one count of assault, one count of drunk and disorderly conduct, one count of resisting arrest, and one count of disturbing the peace. The Stormwind City Guard requests any sightings of Mr. Hayes be reported to them immediately and warns that harboring a criminal is illegal.



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