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Issue III

So after a sumptuous meal at the palace (hey, they're playing the palace!) the party regrouped at the laughing dragon Inn and Tavern to meet Kain's parents and hear all the most embarrassing stories his mom could tell. They also ate another whole meal. They saw many of the regulars, Including Lorianna, a human barbarian and leader of the adventuring group, the femforce, who was "holding court as it were with several lovely ladies (Oink, Oink! What, queen's food not good enough for ya?) Samurai grumpy decided to drink some might fine wine (no doubt recommended by a bullfrog named Jeremiah) and got plastered.

A local noblewoman, Tamara Stormwind walked in to the tavern with her adopted Tigrinian sister, Ayla. Fiddle decided to cause trouble by telling the samurai that Lady Tamara had no honor. At this, the drunken samurai bristled and tried to challenge lady Tamara to a fight. As the noble woman was unarmed, she declined. The samurai wanted to press the issue but B intervened, trying to calm Grumpy down. It was then Grumpy started coming on to the cheerleader-er cleric, saying that B wanted her! B, being the dutiful kind of girl she is went along with it. Unfortunately, much to the dismay of the crowd, nothing happened as the dutiful cleric took the lesbian samurai back to their room to "sleep it off."

Meanwhile Kain went over to Loriann, the barbarian and wanted to see if she or her girls had encountered any of the wild magic, That and he was avoiding listening to any of his mom's embarrassing stories. She mentioned to "soldier boy" (her nickname for kain that neither she nor her girls had encountered anything like that). As Kain rejoined his companions in walked a woman who demanded everyone attention by her sheer presence, Drusilla, Queen of the druids. She appeared to be a human woman with green hair but rumor has it that she is over 1000 years old. People in these parts knew not to cross her. She had with her a rather unusual Kobold with big ears. She explained she had conscripted him for the quest. Kain tried to explain it was volunteer, not conscription. The druid ignored him and when it was explained about the rewards, the Kobold volunteered. Drusilla left and the Dumbo the Kobold stayed behind. So eventually everyone was tired and slunk off to their rooms.

The next morning, Tansey decided to wake Jase up by throwing open the shutters and

yelling "Good morning!" considering Jase had the mother of all hang overs, it's a wonder the halfling wasn't tossed out the window. Afte4r Jaise gave her the evil; eye, Tansey scampered out of there.

The rest of the happy campers, that is the party decided instead of setting off at first light, they did some shopping. Tansey wanted to get Jase a gift so she would forgive the halfling for waking her up. B went along with her to keep her out of trouble. After looking at a lamp. B mentioned she wanted to get some daggers and suddenly Tansey was all "Daggers? Where? Were?" despite the protestations of the man trying to sell the lamp, the pair headed off to a shop called "weapons and things" where they met up with their new comrade, the Kobold with the big ears. The proprietress, a human redhead named Barbara, helped them and the kobold. The kobold asked for a magic dagger and when she went to the back to get one, he stole a dagger. She gave him a magic dagger for 5g. Was it really the bargain it appeared to be or was there something more to that dagger? Hmm.

So, it was after lunch they left for Braedon to retrieve Katherine's magic mirror. They camped out next to a wooded area that was supposed to be haunted. Indeed, the first watch kept hearing "Scooby doo, where are you" but that was about it!

Later that night, Keetha and B were in watch. B noticed Keetha seemed a little on edge. When she asked keetha about it, Keetha just replied the wild magic was making her nervous. However, B's feminine intuition told her that wasn't the real reason. She watched Keetha and noticed the way she looked at Kain and all became clear. Keetha was sweet on ol' soldier boy. B remained quiet but vowed to keep an eye on the situation. The next morning, they traveled thru the whispering woods, as these woods were called. Turns out they are inhabited by a type of fey called twiggets who can move the trees around. Half a day in the kobold noticed that they should have been clear by now. As it was, it was dusk by the time they got clear. Since they still had half a day to get to Braedon the camped for the night.

When morning broke, (I'm sure it was Tansey who broke it!) they proceeded into town. When they got there, Grumpy and her shadow went to collect the looking glass. Never mind they left the cart with the others. Kain and the rest checked into the local sheriff's office as the town seemed to up in arms about something. They soon learned a child had apparently been kidnapped by a hag from a nearby swamp.

Meanwhile back at the glass shop, Grumpy samurai and her little shadow find out about

the little girl and quickly rejoin the rest of the group to go recover the lost child. They set out with 5 deputies and a Elven Ranger named Lotharian. $\frac{1}{2}$ an hour in, they were beset upon by beast men. After a fight they dispatched them. And that is where we left them

So will B and Jaise ever make it? And how does Tansey fit in to all of that? Will Leetha admit her feelings for Kain? If they get married and have kids will she be raising some kain or does that come on the wedding night? Will Kain's mom ever stop embarrassing him? And what is the deal with the kobold's ginormous ears?

