Campaign/Game: Well Met Adventures - D&D 5e Date: August 11h, 2024

Session 44: Aminia I: Ominous Cackles Campaign Date: 11th Island, 3,524 SD

Characters

Apollo Von Lune, Half-Elf Paladin (Colin)
Flynn Artus, Circle of Spores Druid (Karen)
Kijin, Reborn Paladin (Tori)
Ingyirixywyckliff "Kliff" Rimeclaw, Dragonborn Ancestral Barbarian (Declan)
Pancakes, Housecat Bard (Rex)
Wren, Pixie Bladedancer (Gabe)

DM: Rachel

These adventures within a shared universe of settings describes associations of unlikely heroes who band together for a common cause. For some, they explore the unknown in search of answers. Others are in it only for the riches. Many are driven by destiny. As a group, they are known as the "Well Met Heroes." This is their story.

* * *

Sheila Fangmeyer welcomes the new group of heroes to the council chambers, and introduces the 5 members who have quests for the party. Kliff requests to take on the most dangerous quest, but before a decision can be made, Kijin steals a magical ruby from Apollo. Sheila ushers the party into Aminia Twain's office to settle the matter.

Aminia listens to both sides and determines that the ruby should belong to Kijin, but that recompense is owed to Apollo for being the one who found it. Kijin throws 2000 gold at Apollo, who returns 1000 of it to settle the matter

With the small dispute settled, Aminia provides the details for a problem that arose from the South Side Gnolls. They have been acting more aggressive than usual, and the standard undead police force is not enough to handle them. They have been targeting the West Side Kobolds, which Sheila provides a map to.

On the way to the West Side Kobold's base, the party came up on a cackle of gnolls attacking a pair of unarmed goblins. The party quickly engaged, and though one of the goblins went down under the spear of one gnoll, Pancakes brought them back to full health with a well-timed cure wounds. Four of the five were killed, with two of those being resurrected as zombies by Flynn, but the last one was knocked out for interrogation. Kliff restrained him while Wren failed to tie him up, then Kijin did so successfully. Pancakes searched the remaining bodies, but only found their spears and scale mail.

Turr Fizzfrown was successfully intimidated by Apollo into providing information about the situation. He was just following the orders of his boss, Xorrg Woegrinder, who had spoken to a visiting Yuan-ti shortly before giving the aggressive orders. Xorrg was leading her two cackles against the kobold base in an attempt to capture them. Kliff convinced Turr to join his temple of self improvement back in Welmet.

The party then made their way to the kobold base, where Kliff successfully talked them into providing ranged support for the upcoming assault. After a short rest and a little prep, the sound of hyenas cackling echoed down the two side streets just before they attacked.

Xorrg led one cackle from one side while a second cackle came in from the opposite street in a pincer movement on the party. Pancakes, Kijin, and Wren handled the cackle without the boss while Apollo, Kliff, and Flynn engaged the boss group. The spears and bites of the thugs made contact frequently with their reckless attacks while Xorrg Woegrinder entered a rage to attack those closest. Kijin's Crown of Madness spell and Flynn's confusion spell sowed chaos in the ranks of gnolls. Amidst everything, Kliff and Apollo managed to take down the gnoll boss before many others were killed.

The cackles immediately gave up upon seeing their leader defeated. Kliff searched Xorrg's body and found a mysterious note written in code. They turned the note over to Aminia before receiving their rewards and heading home.

Rewards:

Each member of the party gained a total of 3000 XP from this adventure. Additionally, each member of the party received a total of 3000 gold coins as well as a number of magic items.