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Izek Strazni Found Dead

Breaking News

Yes, that's right, heard it here from us (your only source of news in Barovia) first! Izek Strazni was found murdered in Vallaki yesterday. The scene is still under investigation but, it's being rumored around Vallaki that he was such a menace to the town the guard may not be motivated to do much about the man's sudden death. A search of Mr. Strazni's residence revealed many new mysteries sources say. The former town guard Cpt. had hundreds of dolls that look eerily like Ireena Kolyana a refugee of the town of Barovia, now staying at St. Andral's Cathedral with her brother. With the man now dead, we may never know the truth of this strange find. Related are reports of an ongoing power struggle between Lady Wachter and the Burgomaster Baron Vallakovich which has now escalated with the death of Strazni, forcing the Baron and his family to their home for safety. It is rumored that Lady Wachter will wrest power from the man to free us from the panic driven fear that we've all been victim to these many years.



Picture Caption: A likeness of Izek Strazi, painted right here in your favorite town Vallaki!



Picture Caption: A local artist's interpretation of the tower over at Lake Baratok. The wagon was destroyed in the tumult

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What's up with the new Adventurers?

The latest updates

Barovia, long known for its curse, the devil known as Strahd has also been long visited by adventurers looking to take the scourge down. Obviously, none before having succeeded. Some have made it further than others and this latest group, a group that unlike the rest has no name, seems to have made it an exceptionally long time here, they've even been rumored to have encountered the Devil Strahd and lived! While in the town of Vallaki they are rumored to have accomplished several seemingly impossible tasks. Reports say they are the ones who found a nest of vampire spawn in the coffin maker's shop. They found St. Andral's bones and made the cathedral safe from the Devil Strahd once more. Lastly, they saved one of the Vistani children and while we are aware of the sentiments toward the Vistani in light of many of their dealings with the devil Strahd, we cannot in good conscience wish ill on any child no matter the perceived crimes of the parent.

Since the adventurers left Vallaki, we've gotten little news but our sources in the field say they first traveled to an old tower near Lake Baratok where they battled. Two of them were lost in a strange battle at the tower with what sources say involved a blue dragon. Their ranks were filled again when they seem to have met some new friends shortly thereafter. They were quick to battle once more when a group of Vampire Kobolds (ew!) attacked them at the tower. We're not sure what happened at the tower, after the bout, but we do know that sometime later they headed toward the Wizard of Wines Winery. We're all hoping they went to get the Blue Water Inn's long overdue wine shipments. We'll all be resting easier when we have wine to drown our sorrows in again, especially since we no longer have the dream pastry enterprise as a crutch. Not to say that we weren't all thoroughly disgusted when we found out that they were made from the bones of the children of adults who couldn't pay the fee for their addictions. We're glad the old hags are gone!

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