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## NAURË RIVER SPEAKS

The Naurë River, one of the great rivers flowing through Illionor, is like many other great natural aspects of the world able to take the form which we call an Elidhu, a fey spirit that is the river; on All Hallows, the Elidhu of the Naurë River agreed to speak to the Illmythil Adventuring Party, on the subject of the strange events that have been occurring all over the land... [Continued on page 2]

### Monthly Riddle!

I BEGIN AS A STRANGER  
IN MOUNTAINS HIGH,  
GATHERING FRIENDS  
AS MY JOURNEY GOES BY.  
BY JOURNEY'S END  
WE'RE QUITE A CROWD,  
ENTERING THE SEA  
STRONG AND PROUD.  
WHAT AM I?  
Last month's answer: a  
mushroom!

## DRAGON OVERFLIES ILLMYTHIL OUTPOST!

### CIRCLES TOWER WHERE KING VANISHED;

### WHAT DOES IT KNOW???

Described by the bard Mirion Meilios as pale blue, "the color of the sky just before snow comes in," and rosy pink, "like polished quartz," the dragon circled for several minutes around the very tower where the King vanished three months ago. Dragons, a notoriously rare species, have little documented knowledge available about them, yet some significance may be found speaking to the priest caring for the Dragon Shrine just outside of Illmythil. "Dragons do not take sacrifices like most gods do," the priest said, but instead are sent items and gifts physically, through a cart up to the Halhars; could some gift or sacrifice from the Illmythil Outpost have drawn the dragon here, or is it here because it knows something we don't about the King's disappearance? As the dragon did not land, or speak to anyone in the outpost (though we at the Inquirer did shout up a request for an interview as it passed overhead), we can only speculate. Still, the fact that the King's disappearance has interested even the dragons suggests that this is far more complicated a situation than it appears; priests in Illmythil and the King's friends have confirmed that he was a worshipper of the Emerald Facet of the Brilliant Faces, not the Dragons, yet the Dragons appear to have taken an interest regardless. With so many different divine eyes on the situation, we can only hope - and pray - that things soon become clearer than they currently are.

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Have your swift-striding boots started to slow you down instead? Does your knife sharpener dull your knives? Do you have a stressful, silly, ironic, or otherwise fun-to-share story you're dying to complain about? Write in to the Inquirer with your story of magical woe!

...[The Elidhu of the Naurë River agreed to speak] on the subject of the strange events that have been occurring all over the land recently, included among them the strange earthquakes that the Halhars Demon has blamed on the outpost. The Elidhu said that "As you feel the land moving, so do I," and added that the effects are not yet in the heart of the land, but "may be in time."

On the topic of the source of these problems, the Elidhu suggested that we not look deeper (with the connotations being to look deeper into the earth, or lower down scapes into the prime), but instead told us to look higher. The Elidhu said that it "[did] not know what it is, its nature," and that things will continue to change. Implying that a creature from a higher scape, or even the upper Divine echelons of our meta-world, may be causing these earthquakes, makes even clearer the import of the Dragon's evident interest in recent happenings. The Bard-in-Residence Mirion Meilios described the current situation as "A tangled web with strings pulled tight," not by a knot, but with the tension of something unresolved. When presented with this view, the Elidhu agreed, saying that it did not know whether the tangle was the symptom or the cause, but to be wary, because "even sicknesses leave scars."

DECODE THE POEM!

աճըՎ թցցյ ռսե եղաեե  
 թսեա ռսե եղաեե ըճըՎ թցը  
 ցաՎ սեցաե թցցյ ռսե թցմեե  
 թսեա ռսե թցմեե ըճըՎ թցը  
 Տճմսեե եեՏեՏաեեոց  
 թսցմ սեե ցճաոց սճեաճմ  
 ցաՎ սեաեե թցըե թղմսճթմ սղաղա

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