The Phargol-Horn

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Greetings all friends of Krystonia. As Doyen, I am ultimately responsible for the smooth running and administration of the many interests of the Krystellate Obelisk. I think, perhaps, my involvement in a managerial capacity leads many of my associates to forget my spellmaking expertise is as a weaver of moonlight and giver of dreams. Admittedly, I find it difficult to indulge my magical research as often as I would like nowadays but, despite the pressures of more mundane duties, I still ensure that my skills are kept well-polished by holding a weekly surgery for all those who wish to consult with me concerning their dreams.

This is largely interesting and varied work. It may involve mothers who bring their offspring to be cured of recurring nightmares, husbands suffering from insomnia, or those whose habitual sleepwalking have become a danger to themselves and others. Sometimes, I am asked to give interpretations of dreams, or provide entertaining and adventurous dreams for those who find their waking lives too predictable and boring and who crave a little excitement. But by far the most common reason which brings all races and creeds to knock upon my door concerns dreams which are spun by the heart. And these are the most difficult.

Love, it seems to me, is both a wonderful and, by turn, confounded state of being. Unfortunately, it is rare that I get to see those who are caught up in the euphoria and sublime happiness which a love truly requited brings: they are capable of spinning their own waking dreams which are at least the equal of any I could bestow by night. Sadly, I most often see those for whom the dream is formed but not shared or, worse, who have shared but then lost. Such dreams cannot be truly fashioned by magickery. Nor can they be easily repaired. Each is a unique bubble of thin glass set adrift upon the back of a crashing sea full of jagged rocks. Only time, or the appearance of another bubble to be cast into the waves, can begin to help the heart to heal, and the most I can do is offer a few nights of deep, dreamless sleep or try to help the formation of new dreams which restore some hope to the afflicted. I cannot give what is most often craved – dreams in which love is restored.

This is not to say that I could not weave such dreams. I have many old books in which such powerful incantations are written. The majority of these spells belonged to Dreamweavers who existed long before the Great Design and who seldom had any consideration of the consequences beyond the exorbitant prices they could demand for such a service. In dreams, they could cause the vision of a lost love to reappear, allow a maiden to enjoy the happiness of a long-awaited Betrothing Day which had not come to pass, or even cause a distortion which made the dreamer redirect their affections towards another.

These were cruel deceptions. True, they may have brought some temporary comfort to a grieving heart or replaced tears with a smile for a few hours, but their real price often far exceeded the fee given to the Dreamweaver. At best, they delayed grief and the slow climb back to recovery. At worst, they redoubled it and, upon waking, left their unfortunate clients so broken and distraught that they had to dream again, and again, each time longer than the last, until they either ran out of the means to pay the Dreamweaver's price or, in some cases, clung so resolutely to these false dreams they never returned to the waking world.

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Almost every settlement has a local spot - be it a cave, hollow tree, waterfall or forest glade where one of these luckless dreamers are rumored to still be sleeping. Tremaigne of Torz, The Maiden of Deepdale and The Weeping Minstrel of Plumstock are each said to have struck dubious bargains with Dreamweavers in order to hide away from society and follow images of their lost loves through dreams. In other cases, placenames betoken similar tragic stories, such as Brokenheart Cave, Teardrop Dell and Loveleftcrying Falls. In my youth, I made it a personal crusade to seek out these Lost Sleepers with the idea of returning them all to full consciousness. But, despite my searching, despite all the questions I asked of those who claimed to know the whereabouts of a Sleeper, I never did find a single one. Now, with the benefit of greater age and experience, I have decided, wherever they may be, they are best left in peace to their dreams.

There are those, I have to admit, whose dreams I have never been capable of really understanding even though I have devoted a deal of my time to untangling them. Gorphs spring most readily to mind here.

I recall being approached by Rueggan who - his mortal patience long since exhausted by their constant meddling and general clumsiness - had come to the conclusion that Gorphs were naturally inclined towards gross hyperactivity. He had tried high fiber diets, low fiber diets, repetitive exercise, reverse psychology, shouts, threats, mechanical restraints and even hypnotism in the hope that any one or combination of the above would render his Gorphs meek and mild-mannered (as promised by the Journeyman who had originally managed to foist responsibility for their care upon the Inventor wizard). All had failed. Poor Rueggan even had to bear the additional inconvenience of hiring a second hypnotist to recall the first from the trance he had placed himself in after three days of intensive (but wholly unsuccessful) Gorph therapy!

Short of using the Gorphs as live passengers strapped to a prototype engine he was currently trying to develop for a Vertical and Very Rapid Take-Off Vehicle, Rueggan wondered if there was anything I might be able to suggest.

My initial solution was simple and one I had often used previously for the benefit of mothers with overly active children. A small, magically-charged krystal placed inside each Gorph's pillow would ensure that their dreams involved such excessively wild activity that, come waking, they would be too physically exhausted (mental exhaustion not being a consideration here) to contemplate anything more than eating breakfast and returning to bed to recover. Unfortunately, Rueggan (who always sleeps propped up on three pillows) managed to get his confused with those belonging to Gorphs...

After spending three consecutive nights attempting to chop down every tree in the Forest of Keldorran with a small hand-axe and swim up every waterfall along the River Cauld, Rueggan applied for seven days holiday entitlement (the first claim in his career) and retired to a hammock in a secret location somewhere in Wendlock.

It was only when subsequent attempts to induce dreams which would give the Gorphs Positive Mental Attitude, Aversion Associations, Action and Reward Reinforcement and Big Stick Hurts Imagery all failed that I decided I should intercept their natural dream patterns in order to try and find some way of reaching the lower levels (any level!) of their subconscious minds.

Do you know what a Gorph dreams of?

Well, if you can imaging a sheet of parchment with a small blot of ink in the middle, then you too can have one of the more exciting Gorph-dreams which, in my experience, are currently available!

Live your dreams and dream your life!

HI HO, HI HO, IT'S OFF TO RETIREMENT WE GO...



Pictured at left are the 1997 retirees. They are:

1093 – large N'Borg on Throne

1151 – large Shepf

3601 – large Groosh

2203 - small N'Grall

3511 – Zygmund

3501 – Hottlepottle

3101 - Vena

1202 – small Myzer

3411 - Jumbly

705 – Cudha Tree

1110 – Escublar

We also have two unplanned retirements: style 3002 – medium Krak N'Borg and style 3201 – large Tarnhold. Both of these

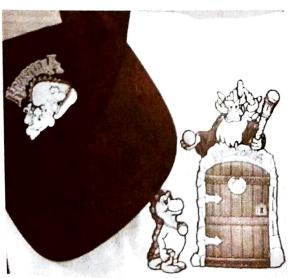
pieces are sold out and we can no longer get stock from the factory. If there is a certain figurine you are looking for, please contact your local dealer as many retirements may be sold out.

RENEE'S PRIDE

Renee Vances shows her Krystonia collection proudly. She purchased a beautiful white oak display cabinet with a mirrored back. As the light shows through the glass, her crystals sparkle on each and every piece. Her extensive collection certainly looks great in its beautiful home.

KRYSTONIA SHIRTS ARE HERE!

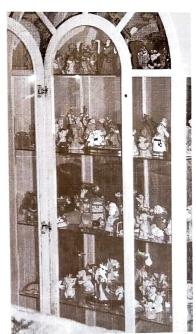
By the time you receive this newsletter, many of you may have already received your first ever Krystonia T-shirt. We hope you are as happy with them as we are. The embroidery is exceptional. Spyke was



so excited he got one for his entire band. The hats have not arrived but should be in shortly.

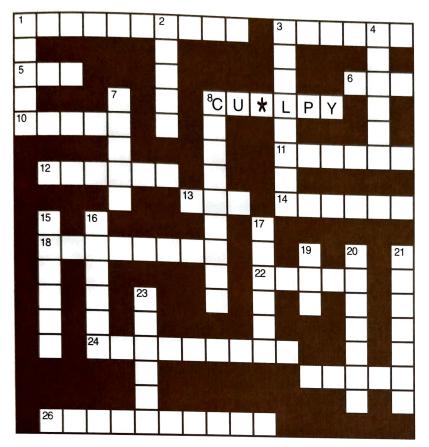
To order our collector's apparel, mail checks to: Krystonia

Collector's Club, 125 W. Ellsworth, Ann Abor, MI 48108. Hats are one size fits all and are \$15. Shirts are \$22; size XXL is \$24. Canadian collectors send orders to Krystonia Collector's Club, 1250 Terwillegar Ave., Oshawa, Ontario, L1J 7A5. For Canadian orders, hats are \$20 and shirts are \$30 (XXL is \$32), plus tax. For all orders, please add \$3 shipping and handling per



item.

GRAFFYN'S CROSSWORD



WE GOOFED!

Need I say more? When we printed Graffyn's Crossword, one section was out of line. We have corrected that section and even put in the word that caused the confusion. We are drawing one winner now – and to be fair – another at Christmas. You have plenty of time to get your entry in, so get cracking.

If you are in the United States, mail your entries to: Krystonia Collector's Club 125 W. Ellsworth Ann Arbor, MI 48108

In Canada, mail entries to: 1250 Terwillegar Ave., Oshawa, Ontario, L1J 7A5

ACROSS

- 1 A Very Large Snow Creature
- 3 A Boboll
- 5 One of the Poodahs
- 6 One of the Moons
- 8 Baby Dragon, Waiting for a Story
- 10 Dreams of Flying
- 11 The Second Moon
- 12 Wizardess
- 13 Chandok
- 14 Wizard Who Looks at Moonlight
- 18 Great Emperor Dragon
- 22 A Girl from Plumstock
- 24 Where the Evil Wizard Lives
- 25 Gloria Gang is a Red Gem _____
- 26 Lives in the Kazm Ori

DOWN

- 1 One of Klip's Dogs
- 2 _____Stormslayer
- 3 Young Dragon Who's Optimistic
- 4 A Froggle
- 7 Likes to Hoard Krystals
- 8 Zanzibar Slept in Front of This
- 15 N'Leila Snord Jailer
- 16 Evil Wizard Master of the Dark
- 17 Smart Dragon
- 19 The Other Twin
- 20 Shigger's One
- 21 Friend of Pompom
- 23 Dragon Nanny



SORRY FOR THE DELAY

Everywhere we go someone asks about the fourth and final piece of the Fair Maiden series. Don't worry, it is in the final development stages. We are now in the process of choosing the proper color. Of all the figurines we have developed, this one has been the most difficult to achieve the desired look. Since this is such a special series, every piece must look just right. We anticipate delivery will be spring, 1998. We know you have been patient and may feel you deserve some kind of sneak preview. We guess it's fair to give a hint. Some say it is fantasy's favorite animal and it's bound to win U-N-I over.

OUR FIRST WINNER

I am a 26-year-old assistant manager in a Card & Gift store. When I started in the store I really liked Krystonia. I've always had a fascination with wizards and thought Krystonia would be fun to collect. The first piece I received was a gift from a friend, that was three years ago. My collection now has over fifty pieces and is still growing.

I have never won any contest and I'm very excited that the first thing I would win would be Krystonia. Thank You.

— Amy Potter



CHRISTMAS PLAQUE SPECIAL

At a recent show, a young collector asked me why we had not offered the plaque special lately. I really didn't have a good answer. She also said that it made it hard on younger collectors to save up to \$75 in receipts. Well, she had a good point and as I thought about it I came up with a solution.

Between November 1, 1997 and January 15, 1998, save your receipts for all Krystonia purchases. For each \$25 in receipts, you may purchase one plaque for \$9 U.S. or \$14 Canadian. That means that after you have \$100 in receipts, you can purchase a whole set of collector's plaques for \$36 U.S. or \$56 Canadian. In all cases, please include \$2 per plaque for shipping.

I certainly hope this helps our young collectors. As a matter of fact, all our collectors should be happy about this great offer! This special offer is only available to Krystonia Collector's Club members. Members

may use this benefit to purchase plaques as gifts for non-members.

Checks should be made out to Krystonia Collector's Club, 125 W. Ellsworth, Ann Arbor, MI 48108. Please include your selections:

8001 - Poffles

8002 - Trumph

8004 - Owhey

8006 - Graffyn



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KRYSTONIA RETIREMENTS



1071 Owhey

RETIRED 1988

1041A SMALL GROC

RETIRED 1989

- 1012 GRAFFYN ON GRUNCH
- 1091 N'BORG, EVIL LORD LG
- 1701 REUGGAN, THE WIZARD LG

RETIRED 1990

- 1071 OWHEY, BABY DRAGON
- 1101 STOOPE MED
- 1152 SHEPF MED
- 1301 WODEMA LG
- 2201 N'GRALL LG
- 3001 KRAK N'BORG LG

RETIRED 1991

- 1021 MOPLOS LG
- 1201 MYZER LG
- 1601 TURFEN MED
- 1901 HAAPF
- 2502 TULAN
- 9003 STOOPE, WATERBALL

RETIRED 1992

- 1011 GRAFFYN ON GRUNCH
- 1081 GRUMLYPEG GRUNCH
- 1107 CAUGHT AT LAST
- 3202 TARNHOLD MED
- 9006 GRAFFYN ON GRUNCH

RETIRED 1993

- 701 KRYSTONIA DISPLAY SIGN
- 1061 SPYKE
- 1302 WODEMA MED
- 1702 RUEGGAN MED
- 2602 N'TORMET SM
- 3003 KRAK N'BORG SM

RETIRED 1994

- 1092 N'BORG LG
- 3301 GATEWAY TO KRYSTONIA
- 3801 N'LEILA
- 1082 GRUNCH'S TOOTHACHE LG
- 1108 MAI-DRON MIGRATION
- 2202 N'GRALL MED
- 2702 KEPHREN, THE RECORDER
- 3401 SHADRA, BABY DRAGON
- 3431 ZANZIBAR, BABY DRAGON
- 607 N'CHAKK MINI
- 609 N'BORG MINI
- 3912 BOLL
- 750 GRAFFYN'S SURPRISE
- 751 WHAT KRYSTAL

RETIRED 1995

- 1102 STOOPE, WITH BAG
- 1703 RUEGGAN, THE WIZARD
- 3203 TARNHOLD, CASTLE
- 1109 DUBIOUS ALIANCE
- 3811 AZAEL
- 1041 GROC, THE TROLL
- 1051 GRACKENE, TROLL'S WIFE
- 2101 N'CHAKK, EVIL WIZARD
- 1105 FLAYLA W/JUMBLY
- 1402 BABUL, SNOW CRITTER
- 2401 TOKKEL, BABY DRAGON
- 611 N'GRALL, EVIL DRAGON
- 9004 OWHEY, WATERBALL
- 752 STARGAZER
- 753 HAAPFY WISHES

RETIRED 1996

- 3451 CHARCOAL COOKIE
- 3441 CULPY
- 1114 ENOUGH IS ENOUGH
- 2801 GORPH IN BUCKET
- 2802 GORPHYLIA
- 703 LARGE BAG
- 2601 N'TORMET
- 704 SMALL BAGS
- 702 SMALL SCROLLS
- 2501 TULAN
- 1093 N'BORG ON THRONE LG
- 1103 STOOPE LG
- 1602 TURFEN SM
- 9001 POFFLES WATERBALL
- 9002 TRUMPH WATERBALL
- 9005 SHEPH WATERBALL
- 9007 HAAPF WATERBALL
- 9008 KRAK N'BORG WATERBALL
- 754 MAKING A POINT
- 755 PEAKAHOO
- 708 RUEGGANS WORKSHOP

RETIRED 1997

- 1151 SHEPF
- 2203 N'GRALL EVIL DRAGON SM
- 3101 VENA HYDROGLYPH
- 3411 JUMBLY

- 3501 HOTTLEPOTTLE, CHEF
- 3511 ZYGMUND, CHEFS APPRENTICE
- 3601 GROOSH, STRONG DRAGON LG
- 3932 GOTCHA
- 1110 ESCUBLAR
- 705 CUDA TREE
- 756 HAAPF (end of 1997)
- 757 COMPHY (end of 1997)
- 1202 MYZER SM
- 3002 KRAK N'BORG MED
- 3201 TARNHOLD LG

CLUB PIECES

RETIRED 1990

GIFT KEY TO KRYSTONIA

601 PULTZR

RETIRED 1991

GIFT KEPHREN'S CHEST

502 DRAGON'S PLAY

RETIRED 1992

GIFT KEPHREN'S LANTERN

503 VAASTON

RETIRED 1993

GIFT SNEAKING A PEAK

504 SPREADING HIS WINGS

RETIRED 1994

- GIFT FILL-ER-UP
- 505 ALL TUCKER OUT

RETIRED 1995

GIFT KAPPAH KRYSTAL

506 TWINGNUK

RETIRED 1996

- **GIFT FROBITT**
- 507 HOLY DRAGONS
- 508 QUINZET



1042 - Groc