THE TORCHBEARERS

"So long as I draw breath, this torch shall not leave your side."



1. OVERVIEW

- 1;1 {Summary} Guild of torch makers who sell their wares and offer their services as loyal torchbearers to those who delve into dark places
- 1;2 {History} Founded by a humble torch maker after his adventurer brother's corpse was found in a nearby dungeon near his shattered sun orb {the only source of light he foolishly brought with him into the dungeon}
- 1;3 [Symbol] A plain but reliable torch held proudly aloft by a pair of flint and steel gauntlets
- 1;4 {Base} The Flickering Bastion, an ancient, torch-lit keep with a seemingly endless dungeon sprawling beneath it that the order seeks to cleanse with torchlight
- 1;5 {Structure} Goverened and lead by the Colden Sconce, an elected 3-member council with each member representing 1 of the 3 elements of fire {heat, fuel, and oxygen}

II. GUILD CULTURE

- 2:1 [Goal] Keep humanity safe by looking after its mighty heroes as they explore dangerous places and then keep those places lit to prevent future infestations
- 2;2 [Ideal] A hero is safest when they're in the light of a well-made torch
- 2;3 [Bond] Every Torchbearer has sworn an oath punishable by death not to abandon their employer or any post they are assigned to {so long as they are paid and treated fairly}
- 2;4 [Flaw] Some guild members have such a hatred for magical light they're willing to break their oath to sabotage or even outright harm those who use it

III. RESOURCES

- 3;1 [Torchbearer] For 3 silver a day, a guild member will follow you without hesitation into the darkest depths of the earth and keep a lit torch at your side at all times
- 3:2 [Torches] In addition to high quality torches, guild members often sell their own unique torches {dimmable torch/explosive torch/flare torch/etc} for 1 silver each
- 3:3 [Dungeon Maps] The guild has an extensive knowledge of where dungeons can be found and will sell maps marking their locations for 100 silver each

IV. KEY MEMBERS

- 4;1 [Bearer of Flames] Bretchen Steelwill, a fearless 72yo female human who carries the First Torch at all times and oversees the guild's business and dungeon ventures
- 4;2 {Bearer of Breaths} Dramuu the Precise, a fussy 212yo male elf who wears a torch-like headpiece with a ceremonial flame burning at its peak and oversees all of the guild's ceremonies and initiations
- 4;3 {Bearer of Oils} Zah, a towering half-orc who wears oildrenched alchemy robes and oversees the guild's research and application of torches

V. TITLES AND RANK

- 5:1 {Flash} Uninitiated guild members who apprentice under Flares and work as the majority of hired torchbearers
- 5;2 **[Flare]** Initiated guild members who operate their own torch shops with the help of Flashes and work under Beacons in dungeon expedition assignments
- 5;3 [Beacon] Veteran guild members who oversee guild member assignments and dungeon expeditions passed down by the Golden Sconce

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