EPISODE 6:

ELEANOR:

Hi everyone!

CORDELIA:

Good day to all our friends.

ELEANOR:

And welcome to a very special episode of the Legendary Handbook Podcast!

CORDELIA:

Today, as you may be able to tell, we are outside.

ELEANOR:

Cordie and I have decided to brave the weather, with masks on, of course, and go see if we can find some crow friends.

CORDELIA:

We've been cooped up in the house and were trying to come up with outdoor ideas for this episode, and we settled on finding corvid friends to make a pie for.

ELEANOR:

First, like the book says, we must scope out the area for potential friends.

CORDELIA:

We are currently walking through town, towards a small patch of woods. There are lots of trees there, and we figured, where there are trees, there are likely corvids.

ELEANOR:

We also made sure we took the book's advice, and we are walking to the woods in the middle of the day. No dumbassery to be found here!

CORDELIA:

Absolutely not. We also brought provisions, and a compass. Just in case.

SOUND: footsteps.

ELEANOR:

We have reached the entrance to the woods. The trees all look so pretty. We also brought a pair of binoculars to spot some corvid friends that may be far away.

CORDELIA:

Yes, let us begin.

SOUND: FOOTSTEPS underscore this next section **ELEANOR:** The leaves. . .the foliage. . .so crunchy. CORDELIA: We should label this the ASMR episode. SOUND: leaves crunching. a crow caw. **ELEANOR:** Cordie, look! CORDELIA: Oh my god! So majestic. **ELEANOR:** I can't remember, what did the book say to do when we first came upon one? CORDELIA: I think it told us to wait, I'm pretty sure there was something in there about looking for a murder of crows first and wait until their social gathering is done. **ELEANOR:** Oh, right right. There was also something about it taking a few tries so they notice us. CORDELIA: I'm sure they are watching us right now. **ELEANOR:** I just hope they're the only ones watching. CORDELIA: Will you relax? **ELEANOR:** I'm just saying, I did have that weird dream. CORDELIA: I know, but we're following the book's rules on walking in the woods. We should have brought it with us.

ELEANOR:

Ugh, yeah. But it's so heavy to carry around. I am wondering if the corvids are regarding us. Do you think we are dangerous enough to require regarding?

CORDELIA:

Perhaps. I don't want them to think we mean them any harm, though.

ELEANOR:

Oh my god, give me the binoculars! I think I see more.

SOUND: shifting, binoculars get handed over. more cawing. wings flapping.

ELEANOR:

There's a bunch of them! This is so exciting.

CORDELIA:

This really is a killer opportunity.

ELEANOR:

Look, there they go! Why don't we mark this spot and come back to it tomorrow?

CORDELIA:

Yes! Let's see. . .oh, look! There's a couple of stones here. That's pretty remarkable.

ELEANOR:

Yeah, they look like they were placed there before. Maybe someone else was looking for corvid friends and marked their spot.

SOUND: a loud ringing noise, like ringing in the ear.

CORDELIA:

Ow! Ugh. . .my ear is ringing.

ELEANOR:

Agh, mine too. I---Cordie. . .

CORDELIA:

Wh--why is it dark out?

ELEANOR:

Isn't it the middle of the afternoon?

CORDELIA:

There's. . .it looks like it suddenly got dark out, what the---

WITCH OF THE WOODS: What are you doing in my woods?

SOUND: both girls scream. Running.