

# EXTRA & EXTRA TOWN TOPICS

## A SPECTER CREATES A SPECTACLE: PAST AND PRESENT COLLIDE

### UPCOMING EVENT

**The Raven's Ball**  
**October 4<sup>th</sup>, 1859**

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Entertainment** in  
grand  
partnership with the  
Esteemed  
Maria Clem in  
Center, to celebrate  
and honor the  
immortal legacy of  
the late, great Edgar  
Allan Poe.

An unparalleled  
night awaits—music,  
mystery, and perhaps  
even the unexpected!

### WHAT WE KNOW

The famous Edgar Allan Poe has long since passed, yet celebrations of his life and works summoned his spirit at the height of his prime. In the days leading up to the Raven's Ball, partygoers claimed to see fleeting apparitions of Poe wandering the streets, his dark figure glimpsed in alleyways and candlelit windows. Initially in good spirits, the sight of his literary and romantic rival — the man who so thoroughly tarnished his image — soon provoked the specter's wrath. As the revelers toasted his genius and notoriety, it is said that Poe's spirit joined the party, watching over John Allan, Maria Clem, Frances Osgood, and Elizabeth Elliot, each drawn into the orbit of his lingering vengeance.

### HOT GOSSIP

Abandoned by John Allan, haunted by past neglect. Protected by Maria Clem, whose loyalty to Poe has never wavered. Passion ignited in Frances Osgood, her heart still scorched by love and loss. Jealousy stirred by Elizabeth Elliot, whose gossip and scandalous machinations have left more than one reputation in ruins. Targeted by Grisswald, whose obsession and envy seem unending.

### WHAT YOU SEE

You see Poe moving about, carrying his notebook frantically searching through the pages

While watching him, you notice the spirit seems to have extensive knowledge of all the special guests. Even the party-goers go to him for information as the investigation begins

You see as the Raven's Ball commences, small truths and tid-bits of information that slip out throughout the night.

### THE WHOS WHO

**Special Guests Attending  
The Raven's Ball**

John Allan  
Poe's Stepfather

Maria Clem  
Poe's stepmother

Frances Osgood  
Poe's "Alleged" Affair  
Partner

Elizabeth Elliot  
Poe's Deep Admirer

