72 Ways to Dig ~ The Slayer Sagas ~ Episode Eleven: The Death Locker — Part Two

Voice Over: Previously on "The Slayer Sagas"...

Cut to clips.

Clip #1:

Pillow: (on "Stakes") I hate that girl.

Clip #2:

"Stakes": (annoyed, on Dr. Scotch) Man! I do not believe the nerve of that guy! I mean he's supposed to be teaching not getting drunk!

Clip #3:

FatWhitey: NOOOOOO! (he thrusts his hand forward pushing the cake into ZC's face who falls to the floor and dies.) Never again will the cake control FatWhitey! From now on – FatWhitey chooses his own destiny!

Clip #4:

Hen Master: Send my regards to the source of all evil.

Clip #5:

Root: She's not the source of all evil... (Long Pause) I am.

[snip]

Root: I also have some minor control over supernatural evil but I've got no idea how far this extends having never received a proper training in these areas.

Clip #6:

Root: Hmmph, I don't like that Newt girl. (Pause) I never see Envelope any more with him hanging around with her all day long.

Clip #7:

Casket: Screw my demon side! (Pause) Will you marry me, Pillow?

Pillow: (crying) I will! I will!

Clip #8:

Megaman: Okay, if I'm going to come clean then yeah. Maybe the real reason I hate Zero is because I lost marks for copying his work. But then again... I'm the bad guy so what do you expect?

Clip #9:

Fallengel: I wouldn't go so far as to give up my life for this company or for Megaman. Thankfully, I shouldn't have to.

Clip #10:

Fallengel dies.

[snip]

Count Ferrell-Envelope: The demon broke my hand.

[snip]

Megaman's Voice: ...Yes, I'll be draining all of the power from the Death Locker through my suit and into my body while you're still looking for the exit...

[snip]

Zero72: This place is going to explode!

Voice Over: And now on "The Slayer Sagas"...

Cut to P.A.I.N HQ. The Team run to the emergency exit.

Zero72: (yelling) Everybody out!

Timer: ...6...5...

The Team push quickly through the door and begin running down the stairs.

Timer: ...4...3...

Pillow: (hysterical, running) We're not gonna make it! We're not gonna make it!

Zero72: (yelling) Just keep running!

Timer: ...2...

The first members of the Team reach the bottom of the stairs. The others are close behind.

Timer: ...1...

Cut to inside the HQ. Bracket is wandering around. He looks outside the fire escape.

Zero72: (seeing him, screaming) BRACKET!

The HQ explodes. Cut to inside the AREF building – student bathroom outside the DL. Megaman (who is wearing his power-suit) and Dr. Scotch are standing in it.

Megaman: (exasperated) Well?

Dr. Scotch: (to Megaman) Watch. (he twists the hot and cold taps to the shower simultaneously causing the door, first seen in 72WTD:S1:E1, to open)

Megaman: Bravo, Dr. Scotch, Bravo.

Dr. Scotch: (as they walk in) Well, when you've worked in a place like this as long as I have, you learn these little things.

They walk inside. They stand facing the giant black metal death locker which, as usual, has lots of chains and padlocks around it.

Megaman: Beautiful. (grinning, to Scotch) The De-Locker 5000, please, Doctor.

Dr. Scotch: (absent minded) Oh, drat, I forgot it!

Megaman: (enraged) WHAT?!?

Dr. Scotch: (winking) Only joking. (he hands him the De-Locker) Megaman: Hmph. Stand back. (Dr. Scotch stands back) Here we go.

He uses the device on the Locker and the chains and padlocks fall away. The door of the Locker creaks open and a flood of dark red electrical energy floods into Megaman via his power-suit. Eventually it stops and the Locker is empty.

Megaman: (turning round, his eyes glowing red) It's Showtime!

Ominous music plays. Cut to Titles.

Title Music Lyrics

Someone's kicking ass tonight,
We're gonna slay and do things right,
The Team of Legends is here right now,
And ready to cook your zombie cow!

This is the Saga of the Slayer, Hilarious Birthright – sworn to protect, Zero must stand tall – must be brave, Because those vampires like fresh neck.

A Demon is a tricky bleeder, Until it meets this Team's leader, If he hasn't banished it within an hour, At least he'll show it one mean glower.

This is the Saga of the Slayer, Hilarious Birthright – sworn to protect, Zero must stand tall – must be brave, Because those vampires like fresh neck.

So when you walk those streets at night,
Don't worry if you get a fright,
The Team will save you from any trouble,
Though they may reduce your house to rubble.

Starring

The Team

Zero72 is the Slayer,
Nutter is his Mentor,
Root's secret is finally out,
Count Ferrell-Envelope seems normal enough,
Pillow is a hyperactive werewench,
Casket is the ex-grumpy half-demon of the team,
Susan "Stakes" Smiles is the team's resident vampire,
The ghostly MtlAngelus pops up at random intervals.

P.A.I.N

Megaman is the company's president and Zero's nemesis, Fallengel's dead, Dave. Dr. Scotch is the replacement loon (and AREF's headmaster).

Also Starring...

Bracket - the team member wannabe who was getting fed up with waiting.

Cut to the rubble of the P.A.I.N HQ. Dust and smoke obscures the ruins. Zero72, closely by the Team stumbles through the rubble.

Zero72: (shouting) Bracket! Bracket! Bracket: (faintly) I'm here, Zero.

Zero comes across the heavily wounded Bracket. A large lump of masonry traps him down.

Zero72: Hold on, Bracket. I'm going to get you out of there.

Bracket: (half-smiling) There's no use, Zero.

Zero72: Sure there is. You're going to be fine.

Bracket: I was just trying to find you guys... thought I could...help you out.

Zero72: There's still time.

Bracket: Go after Megaman. (Pause) There's no need for you to waste time over me.

Zero72: Don't say that! I never leave one of my Team behind!

Bracket: (smiling) I'm...I'm on the Team?

Zero72: (smiling faintly) You've always been on the Team, Bracket.

Bracket: (faintly) Thank you. (he dies)

Zero72: Bracket! BRACKET! (he cries) It's all my fault...

Casket: (to Zero) You know whose fault it is, Zero. And it's not yours.

Zero72: (standing up, cold and resolute) I'll kill him. Power-suit or no. He'll pay.

Count Ferrell-Envelope: We'll be there beside you, Zero.

Zero72: Not you, Envelope.

Count Ferrell-Envelope: What?

Zero72: I want you to go home. (Pause) You've got a broken arm... (Pause,

remembering Newt) and a girlfriend who's worried about you.

Count Ferrell-Envelope: But I wanted to be there for the final showdown.

Zero72: If things get bad, I'll need you and your witch to help us out. (Pause) You'll be the back-up.

Envelope nods and leaves.

Zero72: (to those who are left) The rest of you... It's time for School!

Cut to AREF Building. Dr. Scotch is patrolling a corridor, smoking a cigarette.

Dr. Scotch: (annoyed) 'Wait in the corridor', he says. 'You can warn me if the jerk-Team turn up', he says. (Pause) I'm the one who did all the work!

"Stakes": (appearing as if from nowhere, kicking him in the stomach) Glad to hear you're actually doing some work for a change, Doc!

Dr. Scotch: (staggering back, yelling) MEGAA... ("Stakes" punches him in the face)

While "Stakes" is fighting the Doc, Zero and the rest of the Team run past them.

"Stakes": (angry, punching him in the face again) This is for suspending me! (kicking him in the groin) And this is for the awful job you did running the School! And this... (biting him in the neck, Pause, calmly) ...is because I'm hungry. (she resumes biting him)

Cut to outside the DL room. The Team arrive. Megaman is waiting for them.

Zero72: You're going to die for what you did to Bracket, Megaman! Megaman: (smiling, patronisingly) Oh, did one of your little friends get hurt by the explosion? Well, we must make things better, mustn't we? (he glows red, screams and shoots laser beams at Pillow, Casket and Root who fall down, wounded) There, now all your friends are hurt.

Zero walks up to Megaman and punches him in the face. Megaman doesn't react.

Megaman: Is that the best you can do?

Zero goes mad, hitting Megaman with everything at his disposal, including his sabre and twin-sabres Confidence and Paranoia. They have no effect)

Zero72: (exhausted) It's...It's...Impossible.

Megaman: (drawing his arm back to hit Zero) No, old 'friend', it's inevitable. (he hits Zero through a wall, Pause) And now that's over with... I think a spot of world-domination sounds like a laugh.

Root: (standing herself up) You picked the wrong day for a fight, bud.

Megaman: (sneering) Ooh! You're still alive! I'm so scared!

Root: I believe you have something that belongs to me.

Megaman: (bored) And what would that be?

Root: This! (she thrusts her arm in front of MM and absorbs all the evil supernatural energy he has in his suit. Her eyes cloud over.) Quite refreshing.

Megaman: Oh jeeze! You're the source of all evil!

Root: Yes... (she punches him into the stratosphere) And you're dead.

The evil supernatural energy floats from inside Root, back into the Death Locker.

Root: (takes a mobile-phone out and rings a phone number) Hello. Envelope? (Pause) We're gonna need your help after all.

Megaman lands (dead). All the other supernatural energy from his suit goes back in the Death Locker, including his own essence. It then locks itself. Cut to corridor. Nutter, Envelope, Newt and Root rush by with stretcher beds. In the beds are the wounded Zero, Pillow and Casket.

"Stakes": (standing up, her mouth is bloody) Hey! What happened?

Root: We won.

"Stakes": (absently) If this is winning, I'm damn glad we didn't lose! (they are already moving away) Hey, wait up!

Dr. Scotch: (he looks like a vampire, standing up, tapping her on the shoulder) Er, I'm not dead yet.

"Stakes": (staking him) You are now! (she runs after the others)

Cuts to hospital. Pillow is in bed, "Stakes" comes in.

"Stakes": (smiling faintly) Hey, I heard you wanted to talk to me.

Pillow: Yessums.

"Stakes": Well?

Pillow: Um, I don't know quite how to say this but...well... (Pause, very quickly) You know how we used to be friends and then you became a vampire and lied to me and I haven't been very nicety-nice to you since I found out and everything?

"Stakes": Yeah?

Pillow: Well... I was just...I was kind of wondering...

"Stakes": Yes?

Pillow: If you'd like to be my bridesmaid?

"Stakes": (grinning) Of course I would. (Pause) So, we're friends again?

Pillow: (smiling, outstretching her hand) Friends forever!

They shake hands.

"Stakes": (seriously) You do realise that you'll have to have your wedding after dark?

Pillow nods. Cut to close-up of Envelope and Newt.

Count Ferrell-Envelope: (smiling) You saved my friends... you healed them. It's all thanks to you that...(Pause) I love you.

Newt: I love you too.

They kiss.

Zero72's Voice: (moody) Ehem... Company!

Zoom out, they are in the hospital, standing next to Zero72 and Casket's beds. They both laugh. Zero raises his eyebrows. Cut to Pillow and Casket's outdoor wedding. It is night but candles and the moon light up proceedings.

Way Too Cool Vicar: We are gathered here today, to join – this guy (he points to Casket) – and this chick (he points to Pillow) in hip-hop holy matrimony. (Pause) Can I get an Amen?

Move out to chairs, Zero is sitting next to Nutter and Root.

Zero72: (to Nutter) Where'd they get this joker from? (Nutter shrugs) All: Amen!

Way Too Cool Vicar: So, I'll be getting to the... like...real juicy stuff... in a minute but first... I wanna get another amen.

Nutter: (to Zero) How many 'Amens' does this guy need? (Zero shrugs) All: Amen!

Way Too Cool Vicar: On to business! Do you – (he points at Casket) take her (he points at Pillow) to be your real-deal girl for now and like...forever? Casket: I do.

Way Too Cool Vicar: (he high-fives Casket's hand) Right on, brother! (Pause) Do you – (he points to Pillow) take him (he points to Casket) to be your rude, lewd dude for now and all eternity?

Pillow: I do.

Way Too Cool Vicar: (he high-fives Pillow's hand) Right on, sister! (Pause, he waits for them to swap rings) I now pronounce you – man and wife! (he dances) Ooh, yeah!

Casket and Pillow kiss and start to walk towards the buffet table along with everyone else. Casket's mother (a demon) walks in front of them.

Quadrixia: (moodily) You do realise that you've added to the shame on our family that was started when I married your father and that it's very likely that none of your other demon-relatives will ever visit your human-side, as in – you, again? (Casket nods. Smiling, hugging him) I'm so proud of you!

Cut to buffet table. Various guests are getting stuck into food, including FatWhitey.

FatWhitey: (between mouthfuls of sausage rolls) Hi, Zero!

Zero72: I see you're getting stuck in.

FatWhitey: Mmff...Yesch...but no more cake! (he helps himself to a bowl of prawns)

Zero72: That's just as well. (Pause) How's life at the bar?

FatWhitey: Mmmff... Crazy. I'll tell you about it later. (Pause) What flavour are the crisps?

Zero72: Cheddar and Pineapple.

FatWhitey: Pass me some, will you? (Zero passes him a plate) Thanks.

Zero72: (puzzled) What exactly are you doing here? (FatWhitey shrugs)

Ghost of MtlAngelus: (calling to Zero) Hey, Zero! Over here! Zero72: (walking over) Angelus! Haven't seen you in a while!

Ghost of MtlAngelus: I've been busy... (Pause) with Tetris. (Long Pause) Oh, got a new housemate, the other day. (Pause) Friend of yours?

Zero72 turns around to see the ghost of Bracket.

Zero72: (happy) Bracket! How's the afterlife treating you? Ghost of Bracket: Oh, not so bad. Did you know that you can go anywhere on Earth for free when you're dead? (Pause) No kidding – anywhere!

Cut to Evil Bar (seen in S1:E7). A riot has broken out among the various evil creatures. One of them throws a knife at the piano playing demon who ducks, hitting the piano keys as he does so. All the evil creatures look at him. He starts to tap out a melody on the piano.

Piano Demon: (singing) We could've been anything that we wanted to be... and it's not too late to change. I'd be delighted to give it some thought. May-be you'll agree that we really ought Two, three, four...

All Singing: We could've been anything that we wanted to be. Yes, our decision was rash. It's been decided... that evil is stupid. Let common-sense double up our cash!

Fat Werewolf: (singing) You get a little job and you may-ke pots of money!

All: La la la la la la la!

Thin Vampire: (singing) And before you even know it, you're a part of soc-iety!

All: La la la la la la la!

Cut to Zero eating a kebab.

Zero72: I sense a grave disturbance in the force. (Pause) Oh wait, it's just my stomach.

Cut to credits. Song music continues to play.

The P.A.I.N Files – P.A.I.N Company Profile

Company Name: P.A.I.N (Patently Aggressive Industries)

Company Duration: 2001-2004

HQ Status: Destroyed.

Employee Status: All Missing, Presumed Dead.

Additional Comments: "Good Riddance"