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Glaedr the poet(December 1988)

I write whatever comes to me. My favorite things to write are epic dragon poems and poems about horses. I don't like freeverse but I really like rhyme because it gives poetry a nice sound...What do you think? I really enjoy the Inheritance Cycle by Christopher Paolini (aka Eragon, Eldest, Brisingr, Inheritance). They sparked a love for fantasy within me. As some may have guessed, my name really isn't Glaedr. Glaedr is a name I got from the inheritance cycle. It was the name of an ancient and wise gold dragon. If you haven't read the cycle and you enjoy the magic of Harry Potter or the Adventure of the Lord of the Rings trilogy, I'd strongly sugest checking them out. As for where I inhabit this earth, I live in a town of roughly 17,000 in Missouri. My dad being military, I lived in three different states in a 9 year span. But now he is no longer an 'active member' of the military and we are in Missouri. I have always had a desire to live out in the country. In my free time I enjoy riding horses any chance I get!

A Dream Fulfilled (My First Trail Ride)

Upon the saddle I am mounted My foot in the stirrup is set Precious time is happily counted a kinder horse have I never met Upon the rocky trail I ride I enjoy fresh air and tree-given shade Within this horse my trust I confide and I new friend I have surely made Though the hills are steep and the trail is rough This horse has been well-trained Through the rugged trail, he proves hardy and tough He knows the way and needs not to be reined I hear the water of a running creek I spot a lone deer in the distance At the sight of this animal, I am unable to speak While upon a horse she ignores my existence Closer to nature I start to feel Trees on either side I can see Almost like a dream, yet so real There has never been a happier me But the trail has ended, I start to cry I will have a horse of my own! ... But when? For now, I depart and heave a big sigh And look forward to the rocky trail again

A History Of Dragons

The mighty wings of the chosen The mighty dragons long forgotten Above all creatures do they tower There lies within them limitless power The human race is forvever shamed To tame that which cannot be tamed Death to a dragon, is an obstacle to overcome Their spirit lives on, more powerful they become Dragons and humans had once been friends But for human actions there are no amends Dragons do not easily forget past wrongs Their pain lives on in ballads and songs Their sadness, their torture, it makes them cry They fear their end is drawing nigh The evil of humans has been too great Their existance lies in the hands of fate For dragons no longer take part in war Away from death do they constantly soar Because dragons had almost destroyed their own race Their existance from history did they nearly erase Territory and power struggles soon led to hate hundreds would die over a single mate But they overcame their fate; with wisdom and forever established their eternal kingdom

A Meal At Night

As the sun sets to bring the night The wise old owl hoots in delight Spreading his wings in a tired stretch He searches for a breakfast that'll be quick to fetch Spotting a mouse that would be such a meal Swiftly he flies to the life to steal Thus the wise owl feeds at night And lets out another hoot of delight

A New Start For My Aching Heart

Though broken and beaten black and blue Here I still offer my heart up to you The wounds on my heart from heartbreak gone through, Is damage I am hoping that you can undo From your confession of love I already feel new To your confession of love I confess 'I love you too'

A Poem For Mothers, And Mine

The love of a mother is beyond compare One who dearly loves and is always there From scraped knees To falls from trees A mother cares for all From "I told you so" To "That's a no-no! " A mother answers the call Mothers cook, mothers clean, some even work a job Even with all their strength, a mother still knows how to sob Mothers should be honored for all they have done Every day of the year, not just one There is nothing better than a mother's love For her time on this earth thank God above A mother's love endures forever Its unbreakable bonds no on can sever No matter how much I have grown My mother's love is always shown She has become a mentor and a guide Within her always I am able to confide No better payment for her I can find Then to love her with heart, and with mind To the one who bore me; I share my emotion To the one who raised me; Absolute devotion To this woman I express my joy You will always be my "mommy" and I your "baby boy"

A Poem Of Hunting, Fishing, And A Truck

I throw my gun in the back of my truck With it I hope to kill a 12-point buck While in the woods, BANG! I see the deer fall I take him home, freeze the meat, and mount his horns on my wall

I grab my pole and tackle box and head to the lake At this time in the morning, I feel barely awake There is no school today, I'm glad there is no class A mighty tug on my line, I hook a large mouth bass

There is nothing like hunting; waiting for the kill Cutting and cleaning the meat my freezer I'll soon fill Deer steaks and deer jerky have such a great taste And with his head on my wall nothing goes to waste

I like fishing, fishing is fun Fishing underneath the rising sun I like catching the fish and putting them in a net Fish is a great dish when the table is set

My truck is unstoppable; it can't beat I slam the door and strap myself in the seat I start the engine and press the gas to the floor My truck takes off and my engine lets out a roar

I wouldn't be able to hunt or fish if it wasn't for my truck With it I carry poles, guns, and my fallen buck I pull my boat with my truck in four-wheel-drive At my destination I always arrive

A Restless Night

My body received rest but my mind was left to wonder From reality and reason does it continuously falter The dreams I have dreamt are now long forgotten They have withered, disappeared, and turned rotten Vague glimpses of them have left me in a state of confusion What has been real? What has been delusion? My head becomes hot, sharp spines within are nailed My body is sound, but my mind has failed These types of mornings I always dread What occurrences could have caused this chaos in my head? I cannot ask more questions, they make the pain worse I can only record my experience within this simple verse Morning is bad, but the day gets better But what about tomorrow? Or the day after? Will the morning go well and the day end in distress? What must I do to avoid this? What must I confess? One day my conscious I hope to clear If not, there is no end and limit to my fear

All Love Has Failed Me

Love I cannot have, for it is love that I fear Never again shall I draw someone ever so near No longer love will my heart ever hold For my heart has hardened and turned ice cold The virginity of my lips and body will never be given Closer to insanity, and further from love I am driven I cannot love, I am not destined And forever a virgin will I be christened I now beg for you to not seek my heart For you will find the bitterness and surely depart It is now that I am beginning to see That I am alone and always it will be

An Average Soldier

Many have died, many have perished But this man has yet to fall Gone for months, time that is cherished Yet he still answers the call He is neither the bravest nor the strongest But for freedom, he fights under the sun His time spent fighting is not the longest For at home is where his battles are won He was given a single gun Even when old and tired Never from a battle has he had to run Never a single shot had to be fired Though an expert marksman he has proven And an expert marksman he may be When that single weapon is given His ability in battle you will never see For he is just an average soldier from the Air Force But to have him in my life, I am glad Do I love this man? Of course! For he is none other than my dad

Another Poem For Farewell

I am tired, oh so tired! Which leaves very little to be desired...except to be inspired By your presence and your essence Heart to Heart and friend to friend We start then have to part, again...and again Fair thee well until the morrow For parting does not have to be full of sorrow

Anyone Can Write A Depressing Poem

I've read enough of heartbreaks and tears Even more so of depressions and fears I've heard enough of your deaths and rapings Even more so than your scars and abusings Give me your joys! Put a grin on my face! Show me good still exists in our human race I desire happiness! Please make me smile! That alone will make it all worth the while Writing something happy is what'll show 'em Because anyone can write a depressing poem

Dreams Are Dreams And Nothing More

I am trapped within a population sea So much my heart desires to be set free Desire for large buildings, I have none I want open fields and to see the rising sun Traffic, cars, and concrete so coarse I'll have no need of these if mounted upon a horse To run! to gallop! All across the land wind in my face, reins within my hand My faithful compainon, I need no other friend The bond between us, no one can comprehend This vision brings me great happiness But I cry because it is simple foolishness For I know nothing of which I seek I have never experianced that of which I speak I am trapped within a population sea I am trapped, with no way to be set free

Family Comes Together

Family comes together For always and forever In sickness and in health In poverty or in wealth Family comes together For always and forever Without any reason Anytime or any season Family comes together For always and forever In death or in life In happiness or in strife Family comes together For always and forever In anger or in kindness Whether all seeing or in blindness Family comes together For always and forever Whether for work or for play They somehow find a way For family to come together Because families are forever

Hail Dragon!

Hail dragon! Predator of the air Do not rejoice, do nothing but despair For you are gone oh dragon, passed into legend For the merciless warriors of old you could not contend There is no longer dragon fire or flight For long ago they had lost the fight So weep for the dragon, the dragon of old Weep for the dragon, and his story untold

Homeland (I Do Not Dwell In The Past)

People speak of homeland as the countries that bore their ancestors They speak of pride, tradition, and origins of predecessors I have no interest in where I came from, or a family history The past should stay the past: an unsolved mystery I look to the future, and what the morrow may bring A new rising sun, a new day dawns, the new morning For what is today but yesterday's tomorrow? Dwelling on the past brings about nothing but sorrow But by no means should the past be forgot By learning from past wrongs true wisdom is saught But my homeland will always be the land in which I reside Where I will spend my days, live my life, and always confide

I Am (Emotion)

I am tired tired of the walls closed around me tired of blindness when I wish to see I am scared scared of the love that will never come scared of where the darkness is from I am angry angry at truths that are perceived wrong angry at the uselessness of a happy song I am sad sad for those left behind sad for the happiness they cannot find I am confused confused with the madness of this world confused with the life into which I'm hurled I am helpless helpless to keep my innocence helpless of it to make any sense I am dead dead to the world around me dead to the people, who refuse see

I Am (Emotion) Ii

I am happy Happy with the life I have been living Happy with the kindness I have been giving I am thankful Thankful for a family's love unconditional Thankful for God and everything spiritual I am wise Wise enough to know when something is wrong Wise enough to be uplifted by a joyous song I am understanding Understanding that life is not always fair Understanding that anger leads to despair I am brave Brave enough to right wrongs of late Brave enough to accept my own fate I am patient Patient for my future and what is in store Patient for love, career, horses, and more I am alive Alive in the world that I was meant to be Alive to everyone whom I make see

I Call My Maiden Home

I am calling my maiden home For in a distant land does she roam There is no distance between us too great For our meeting is bound by undeniable fate The love within us has long been awaken And never will that love ever be forsaken She shall enter my home into love's sweet embrace And I will finally be able to gaze upon her face I await this day with an ever burdened heart Once she is at my side, never shall we part! So I call thee my sweet maiden, I call thee home I call thee from the distant land of which you roam

I Don't Like Her, But Can't Help To Love Her

My sister is someone who I cannot comprehend Never in my wildest dreams could I ever call her "Friend" I can easily say we do not get along She argues, she fights, she hates to be wrong There's not much I can say about this relation to me Other than of her presence I wish to be set free But if she would go away, I admit I would miss her What can I say? After all, she is my sister There's nothing I can do! I will always be her brother No matter how much I deny it, there is still no other Even though she is behind the worst times ever had All in all, my sister isn't that bad Admitting this to myself, somewhat gives me joy But still I wonder, "What if she'd been a boy? "

Just Another Heartbroken Poem

Here I sit lonely and heartbroken Because of love so freely spoken I loved her, I think she loved me But face to face we never did see I was to visit this princess of mine Oh to feel her embrace would have been divine! But she is gone now, a victim of fear Just too afraid she had drawn so near You cannot trust what you cannot see And her parents could not trust me All we had were our words of devotion All we had was our shared emotion But all the same their distrust grew And in time, her distrust did too So she left me and never replied What did I do? I broke down and cried Couldn't do much else, I'm not a predator I wanted nothing else but just to love her But so is the story of my pathetic life The kind always filled with unfair strife But I press on anyway, wishing and hoping my love will arrive 'Hey Rachel! it would be nice to know if you were still alive! '

Laments And Longing For A Friend

Where have you gone my dearest friend It seems it has been forever My love for you shall never end A bond of friendship no one can sever What harm could have befallen Did you wish to make me weap My happiness has been stolen Your absence has struck me deep If any harm has come to you I would feel eternal guilt as a friend, you have been true upon trust our friendship was built Your absence has made me grieve my heart is locked and you have the key Of this pain, only you can relieve Where could you be?

Lifetime Animal Center (Aka My Place Of Employment)

Please come in! "Sit! " "Stay! " Come let us make sure your pet is A-O-K Dentals? Checkups? We'll do both! "For the Lifetime of Your Pet" as says our oath Need something explained? We're really good teachers! One must know a lot when "Caring for all of God's Creatures" Is your horse a little hoarse? We do many things for Equine Going away for the weekend? We'll take-in your Canine! We'll feed them, water them, and walk them too And yes, we even pick up their smelly... "MOO! " Was that a cow? I do believe so When it comes to Livestock, we never say no 24 hours a day we are accessible to you To all animal emergencies we'll remain true Our staff is some of the kindest people you have ever met Lifetime Animal Center: where you can always trust us with your pet

Love Unchanged

I once asked you to marry me for my love had no end I thought we'd always be together, then you called me 'friend' I was called your fiancee, but your brother I became Yet my endless love for you, has always been the same Patience I must practice, patience I must get For maybe just maybe, there is hope for us yet We are young so young, we have nothing but time Maybe in the future, you will once again be mine But until that day has come, as long as we're apart Know that you always reside within my heart A friend you started out as, and a friend you'll always be Even though you've always meant much more to me

My Forbidden Love

I love a girl with hair of red "Keep your distance" her father said Our only contact, within the church More ways to talk we constantly search Forbidden contact becomes the only way That we are able to laugh and play Her father insists it's for her own good Yet I can see he has severely misunderstood As he enforces what he believes to be right His daughter cuts herself in the dead of night She is four years younger than me, this I cannot deny Yet my love for her still reaches beyond the highest sky I want my arms around her, I want her body close Our lips in kiss embrace, we sail the darkest cosmose I have more love for her than any girl ever met My forbidden love: A real life Romeo and Juliet

My Maiden Who Came By Night

For you my heart burns like a dragon's fire! Fueling all my love, affection, and desire Eagerly I wait, to be in your embrace To feel your soft touch, to gaze upon your face I shall whisper my love softly, put my lips upon yours Oh how our passion on dragon wings soars! You are the love of my life, the maiden of my dreams Never in my life, have been more joyous it seems No love or relation, has ever felt this right! Forever my heart is yours, my maiden of the night

Never Truly Been Kissed

I have never been kissed At least, not in the way I wished The thought of it is quite depressing The memory of it is quite revolting I acted too quickly, I thought I was attracted It was then I realized how foolishly I had acted My heart should have never been given It was naught but a lie I had been livin' A kiss of deceit I have never even heard of For I now know a kiss cannot be without love.

Oh Dreary Night

Oh dreary night full of darkness and despair Perfect night, for pondering what I see as unfair Cold air breathed, so pure and refreshing Thus my thoughts come, troublesome and depressing Cigarette and smoke, hazardous to my health A law long past broken will hurt my meager wealth More trouble I face, if they ever were to to discover My love forbidden, that I have for another It is at this time I feel happiness...and pain Perfect emotions as the weather turns to rain As the water begins to wash worries away I simply feel blessed...just to live another day

Personalities (A Mind In Perfect Balance)

"Darkness"

Darkness has become more frequent in my life I do not know why, or from where I struggle through life with difficulty and strife Into nothingness I constantly stare I must not let darkness consume me Because of it, I wish to remain free

"Light"

The Glory, the brightness, of the light within Has saved me from the shadows Through it, I am free of my sin Baptized, renewed from the shallows This light keeps me forever free And darkness, loses his hold on me

"Sadness"

Darkness has a friend named Sadness Her voice a swishing sigh From sadness arises madness As I bow my head and cry Of these two I am mortified For by them, I am crucified

"Happiness" Of the darkness, I do not fear! Happiness keeps me from hell Its clear voice I love to hear The beautiful ringing of a bell I marvel at these talents! Darkness and Light remain in balance

"Questioning" As I take in the world I find myself asking, "Why? " Into a sea of questions I am hurled Fighting for answers, like fighting for air; except, I do not die I have been asking questions from my beginning So much so, it feels like sinning "Acceptance" I now accept things as they are No more questions do I possess Answers come from near and far My mistakes I now confess I have become strong By admitting I am wrong

"Revelation" I embrace Light and Happiness For they balance Darkness and Sadness I know questioning― will always lead to acceptance

Preserving A Friendship (Not Letting Emotions Get In The Way)

Depart from me not my dearest friend My feelings for you are to the end Many boundries broken, much trust gained has created one of the best friendships ever obtained Gladness fills my heart when you are near I express, I confess, and have nothing to fear My mind becomes open, the dark veils lift My poetry becomes real, my passion, my gift I owe it to you, many answers I could not find Your words have lit a torch to awaken my darkened mind So much I wish to meet you, to talk face to face Fear not for our friendship, my heart remains in place There won't be a day when I will come on to you Because to our friendship, I wish to remain true I shall guide you as you shall guide me and friends forever, we shall always be

The Anger Trapped Within

I do not express my anger I prefer to be at peace I go away from present danger and my problems begin to cease But I grieve, for it cannot last My anger refuses to be ignored Painful memories from the past Have become a ruler and a lord They rule over my mind with brute force I cannot help but to cry Of actions they cause I have much remorse Because of these crimes, I deserve to die Anger trapped within has become my torture, my sorrow, my sin

The Cadence

As the rain falls, I long for your presence, I cannot bare to be apart The rain is a cadence, that balms my aching heart. As I ride in the arena, I think of your horse, friendship like a work of art The hoof beats are a cadence, that balms my aching heart As I look upon your face, my chest begins to hurt, I hear the drums start The drums are a cadence, the sound of my aching heart As I hear your sweet voice, little angel of mine It illuminates my soul, a feeling so devine As you softly say 'I love you' and how our souls will never part Your voice becomes the music, that cures my aching heart

The Dragon's Warning

Our fires burn with a fearless rage! They burn at the humans in this cursed age From friends to hunted the dragons soon became We are now called 'beast' and by no other name What paranoia could have spawned their hate? Was it always to be, dragons doomed to fate? One thing is for certain, it is not our will! They will soon find dragons are not so easy to kill Engulfed in our flames shall be the humans' reward If ever they should attempt to put dragons to the sword

The Horsewatcher

See that man on top of the hill See how quiet, see how still See how he watches keen of eye See how he blends into the sky He waits, waits for the horses to come Hears hoofbeats, then looks where from There, in the distance, he spots the herd He watches them gallop, without a word With awe and amazment upon his face He watches them pass with all their grace Yet he does nothing but continue to sit Gazing at the horses that wear neither bridle nor bit He hears happy winnies, a horse's freedom song And to him, nothing about that sounds wrong He fights for their freedom, for he is a horsewatcher He continues to watch, never to be a spiritbreaker

The Random Practicing Of A High School Band

As I listen to the noise around me I arrive at a loss No order do I see All around is chaos I hear drums with booming roar and flutes with trilling grace Of this sound I want no more Confusion and hurt cross my face No tune or rythem can I find My thoughts I cannot hear It has become torture to my mind and an enemy to my ear Vibrations run through my head They strike to the core Suddenly the sound ends: all is dead and I hear no more

The Warrior's Pain Of War

War has caused me much pain By peace only will I abide Thoughts of battle make me insane My sword lays forgotten by my side There stands my faithful steed! who stood by me to the end for war, of him, I have no need He is naught now but my friend A bag of gold within my hand What was to be riches untold plunder from that desolate land the blood upon it's fields now cold Much was done to earn this prize yet at it, I cannot bare to look I can still hear the bloody cries of the men whos lives I took I killed all who stood in my way I spared not a single one! After the end of that bloody fray I felt great sorrow for what I had done I dump my gold into the river 'I shall have no money for blood! ' The cold spray makes me shiver as the gold sinks into the mud I did not fight to protect for my family had already been killed out of this came a horrible effect a desire for revenge that could not be filled War has caused me so much pain! War has given me nothing but sadness! Nothing of war did I gain except empty and cursed madness This madness is a balm for my aching heart for with it, I feel nothing of this world I do not wish to be a part for there is naught in it but suffering I grasp my sword one last time I touch its cold steel blade I should end my life because of my crime

A peaceful death in this shady glade To my heart the sword is brought as I bring myself to my knees Suddenly I have another thought I throw the sword among the trees 'My consious I must free! I cannot atone of my sin if I am dead How selfish only to think of me! ' These have been the wisest words I've ever said

To Me What Family Is

Family to me has many meanings For all are full of diverse feelings Love and anger, both within a single one Children who stay and children who run Can one family be better than another? It all depends on how they love each other A family's love should last forever Bonds of love nothing can sever For the family I have, I am happy and blessed And nothing more truthful have I ever confessed Family has many meanings, but one rises above The greatest meaning of family, is that of love

Waiting For The End (Patience Is Truly A Virtue)

Patience is a virtue, especially when you wait for death do not rush to die! cling to every last breath Your life upon this earth is but your only one Tomorrow could very well be-your last rising sun Live life to the fullest! Always do your best! By doing so, your soul will truly find rest Do not wish your death to come soon! Dark and empty is this desire-like the new moon Do not wish for death! This of you I cry For only fate can decide-when it is time to die

Watching The Storm

Lightning flashes, I hear the thunder's drum I stand transfixed by this hypnotic thrum Dark clouds veil the sky, I feel great fear The wind whips about me, 'will the sky ever again be clear? ' 'when it does, what will have been the cost? a mighty storm it is! how many lives will be lost? ' I ponder these things, my mind wonders free Just as the rain begins to fall upon me I withdraw my gaze and with a gentle stride turn back to my house, and go inside

What Is This Feeling?

Words cannot describe how I feel My knees weaken, my heart beats fast This feeling within me is so real How much I hope it will last I feel this everytime you are with me When I hold you in my arms with gentle embrace Looking into your eyes this is what I see; Your beauty within and upon your face Though we have been seperated by miles apart We share the same emotionwe have taken each other's heart and shown much devotion What is this feeling? by what name shall I call? This feeling no one can sever This feeling that shall never fall I shall name it love: to last forever

Winter Begins

Darkness descends on this town I'm in So full of purity, yet so full of sin Winger begins rearing her ugly face Soon very soon I'll feel her bitter embrace Cold damp rain, the sentry of her force Soon ice shall fall with little to no remorse The purity of snow still awaits to be seen With sun shining upon it with brilliant sheen How purity comes from such evil is uknown How beauty from such ugliness can be shown I will take winter's good along with her bad Welcome the approaching season and be glad Thankful in heart, I accept what she will bring And wait, patiently wait, for the coming of spring

Wishing I Was A Dragon

I wish I could be a dragon winged beast of legend with piercing stare the power I would have I can only imagine But for sure it is beyond compare I would spread my wings and fly By day and by night All my enemies I would fry as I bare my fangs in delight Oh to experience dragon fire or flight would simply be devine but only by doing what is right could I call those powers mine

Wishing I Was A Horse

I wish I could be a horse running through endless plain No trails and no set course Feeling naught but wind in my mane From the sunrise in the east To the sunset in the west I will run as a noble beast While heart pounding in my chest No man or force will ever tame me No saddle or bridle shall I wear As a horse I will remain free Because as a man I feel despair So I sit and dream about this freedom of running through the sun and the rain of being noble yet bound to no kingdom As a horse with a spirit not slain

Wishing I Was A Songbird

I wish I could be a songbird but not just to gracefully fly for in the morning, emotions stirred I would sing my song to the sky A beautiful song it would be A song beyond compare It is then I would leave my tree and take off into the air Flying amongst the sun with freedom as my song when hearts of humans are won as a songbird I cannot go wrong