A Novel

# ATHENA'S SECRET

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### Chapter One

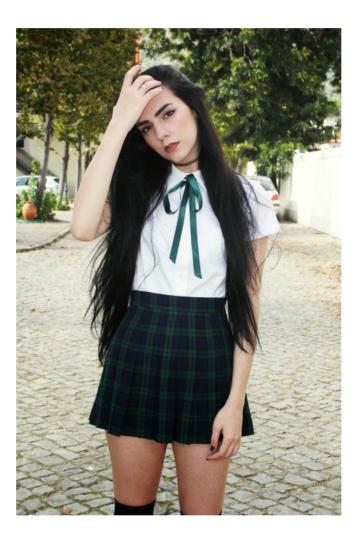
# HISTORY

Once upon a time there lived a girl named Ashlyn. She was the daughter of the great Goddess Athena (Goddess of wisdom and war). Ashlyn's uncle was Poseidon and her grandfather was the great Zeus - King of all the Gods and Goddess and power to control rain, thunder and lightening. Athena had a secret and married a mortal. They had a baby named Ashlyn. This is her story.



Chapter Two

# ASHLYN'S STORY



Ashlyn was raised by her dad who was a mortal. Ashlyn grew older and went to Redwood High School but one day her best friend Mia said:

"We need to talk ASAP! You have to go to a different school."

"Why?" said Ashlyn

"Because your mother is a Greek Goddess" replied Mia.

"Um are you ok Mia?" asked Ashlyn

"Yes. I'm just trying to warn you that evil Gods might try to steal your powers."

"What do you mean? This all sounds insane. Are you feeling ok?" asked Ashlyn.

"Yes! I'm serious. You must attend the special school for sons and daughters of Greek Gods and Goddesses" said Mia seriously.

"Ok. Because you are my best friend and I've know you for so long. I'll try to talk my dad into it."

Ring....Ring....Ring

"That's the final dismissal bell. I better go. Can't be late." Mia grabbed her backpack and headed to her silver Prius.

"Wait!" shouted Ashlyn. "How do you know I have powers?"

"I know because we are cousins."

"What?" asked Ashlyn.

"I"m the daughter of Artemis and my grandfather is also Zeus like yours. Our moms are sisters."

"Have you ever met them?" asked Ashlyn

"No. We never get to see our parents because they are Greek Gods and Goddesses."

"Why is that?" asked Ashlyn

"Once when I was in the seventh grade I knew someone with powers. Her mom was a Greek Goddess and one day her mom came to visit and almost turned human. Then she wasn't a God anymore and could never return to Mt. Olympus."

"Oh no, I'm going to be late! Gotta run. See you tomorrow" Mia said as she drove off.

Chapter Three

# THE FAMILY TRUTH



"I'm home Dad"

"Hi honey!"

"Mia said that mom is a Greek Goddess. Is that true?"

"How did she know?" dad said surprised.

"And she told me that I have powers and that I need to go to a special school for sons and daughters of Greek Gods and Goddesses."

"Honey" said her dad as he sat Ashlyn down.

"Yes dad."

"I'm so sorry I never told you that mom is a Greek Goddess. I was just worried."

"Why? Why would you be worried about me knowing about my powers? And about my real mom?"

Ashlyn was so confused.

"I didn't want you to worry about the evil gods trying to steal your powers."

"Dad I won't be worried. I can handle myself."

"I know. You are older now and not a baby. I should trust you. You have your mom's powers to protect yourself. But I just love you so much and never want anything to happen to you."

"I know dad. I love you too. But you need to let me grow. I'm going to start the new special school."

"Wait! Will Mia be going too?"

"I don't know. I guess we'll find out tomorrow on my first day."



Chapter Four

# THE NEW SCHOOL

Beep...beep! It's too early alarm clock! I'm too tired!

"Breakfast Ashlyn!"

"Coming Dad. So what's for breakfast?"

"Pancakes."

"Yum."

"Hello?"

"Ashlyn"

"Yes Mia"

"New school starts in 5!"

"OMG I'm not even dressed! Mia?

"Yes."

"Are you going to the new school too?"

"Yes!"

"Good. I really will need help on my first day."

"OK. Gotta go. Can't be late."

"Bye."

"Gotta get dressed ASAP" whispered Ashlyn to herself.

"Ok bye Dad!" said Ashlyn.

"Bye Honey" replied dad.

"I'm almost there" Ashlyn says to herself driving in the car. I'm here" she whispers in a nervous voice.

"Mia!"

"So welcome friend!" Mia said

"Wow. This place is amazing!" agreed Ashlyn.

"Yes it is" said Mia.

Ashlyn greeted everyone with a "Hello."

"Mia!" shouted Ashlyn.

"Yes!" replied Mia.

"Will I....."

"Ashlyn!" As she interrupted the middle of her sentence.

"What?" said Ashlyn

"The evil Gods are here!" said Mia. "Hide!"

"I will try to find a good spot."

"Just HIDE!"

A few minutes later.....

"Are they gone?" Ashlyn asked

"Yes. It is safe. You can come out now." Mia replied.

"Ok."

"Later in your life you will have to fight."

"Fight who?"

"The evil Gods. But you will need training."

"What are my special powers?" asked Ashlyn.

"You will find out in time" answered Mia.

"YOUR POWERS ARE WAR AND LIGHTENING!!!!!

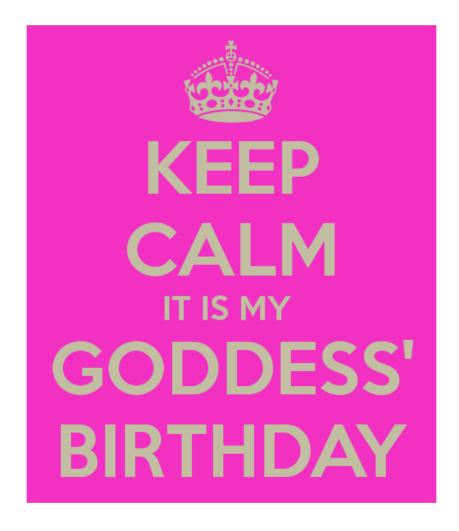
"Who said that?" Ashlyn said in fear and confusion.

"That was a special whisper from your mom Ashlyn" Mia said.

"I really did hear it!" Ashlyn said excitedly.

Chapter Five

# ASHLYN'S 20TH BIRTHDAY



"Happy Birthday to You Happy Birthday to You Happy Birthday to Ashlyn Happy Birthday to You"

"I can't believe I'm now 20 years old" Ashlyn said in amazement.

"Isn't it crazy" said Mia.

"Yes!" said Ashlyn.

"Your dad has been taken by the evil Gods!"

"Oh NO! I must save him."

BAM! The two girls heard a huge crackling sound.

"Mia. Why is there fire right there?"

"Oh no" Ashlyn trembled.

"Your dad is...."

"SHOW YOURSELF OR I WILL KILL YOUR DAD!" Said one of the evil GODS.

"I'm here" said Ashlyn

"OH MY DEAR ASHYLYN. HA HA HA"

"Give my dad back!"

"OH IT'S NOT THAT EASY. YOU'LL HAVE TO FIGHT ME TO GET YOUR DAD BACK!"

"To the house everyone!" said Mia.

"Mia?" Ashlyn said.

"Yes" Mia answered.

"We have a problem...."

"Yes - We have a big one."

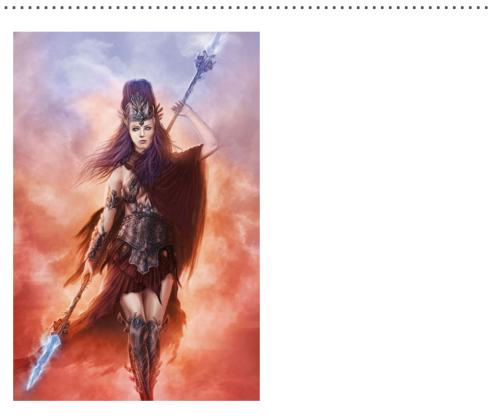
"No - We have another one."

"What's the other one?!"

"The Gods are mad and are ready to fight - Good vs. evil. Waves at the beach. They are ready to fight!"

Chapter Six

# THE FINAL BATTLE



"Oh No! What are we going to do?"

"I have an idea said Ashlyn. I will give the good Greek Gods my lightening bolt and will help fight."

"Ashlyn?"

"Yes?"

"You are turning into a Goddess!"

"OMG I am?"

"Mia I am teleporting to Mt. Olympus where the Gods live! Wow This is amazing."

Ashlyn teleports to Mt Olympus and meets her mom Athena for the first time.

"Mom!"

"Ashlyn!"

They embrace in a huge hug.

"Am I a goddess?" Ashlyn asks her mom

"You are as beautiful as me" responds Athena.

"Am I a Goddess?"

"Yes you are Ashlyn. Just like me. Oh dear Ashlyn. You must get ready for the fight! It's about to begin."

"Wait" said Ashlyn. Dad has been captured by the evil Gods.

"Oh no" said Athena.

"Now what will we do?" Said Ashlyn.

"I have an idea" said her mother. "When the fight breaks out, you will get your father and rescue him."

"The fight has begun!" Athena shouted

"Ashlyn. Help me! With your special powers!"

Ashlyn saves her dad and returns him back safely.

"Thank you. You saved me daughter. You're a true Goddess!" said dad.

"Yup" smiled Ashlyn.

"Mia"

"Ashlyn"

"We're both Goddesses!"

"This is amazing!"

"Girls. I'm sorry but I must go home now because I'm not a God but a mortal" said dad.

"Wait dad! You can stay here! We have special permission. You can live with mom and me on Mt. Olympus!"

"I can? That's great. Thank you to the Gods and Goddesses for letting me stay."

Ashlyn and her friends and family all lived happily ever after.

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