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Tyler and Cedric sat down at the table across from Tristan as Lilly stood next to Tristan and cleaned out his wounds. The wounds were not bad, just some flesh wounds that would be fully healed soon. Still, it didn't hurt to clean the wounds out and to wrap them to prevent infection. Kade was out with the pack and Avery still wasn't back yet.

"So, Tristan, are you going to tell me what makes a guardian a guardian?" Lilly wrapped the bandage around tentatively paying attention to detail as she did.

"Now we have reached the questions portion to this game." Tristan smirked and then cleared his throat seeing her unamused face. "First you have to be a werebear. Then, when it is time for a new guardian, potential candidates are sought out. You are either born with the gift, or you are not. If you have it, you are then taken from your family and trained extensively. For me, I was taken into a werewolf family. Since you were half werewolf, it was important for my training to be done among them. I needed to understand them and their kind. I was brought in and raised as James twin brother. We were both trained extensively and also had several fairy charges looking over us. The Ashen pack has a long time standing with fairies and they were more than willing to take me in."

"What else makes you are guardian, besides being a big old bear?" Tyler knew there was more to it than him being a bear. "Why would werebears agree to be a punching bag for fairies?"

"Ages ago one of my ancestors was gifted the power to shift into a bear by the queen of the fairies. In exchange for this ability, he would sacrifice members of his line to become special guardians to the fairies. On top of that, werebears would remain close allies. Guardians are not only stronger than other werebears, but they also have special abilities. They can communicate telepathically with fairies and other magical creatures. We have the ability to take the pain away from our charges. Not completely, but we can make it a lot less painful by taking the pain for ourselves. Then, each guardian usually has his own unique skill. I have not discovered mine yet." Tristan shrugged and was flicked in his ear.

"Hold still." Lilly ordered as she continued to clean out his other wound.

"Ouch, my ears are sensitive." Tristan furrowed his eyebrows at the tingling pain in his ear.

"Why are there only three guardians?" Lilly ignored Tristan and continued on with her next question.

"There is a guardian for the queen and one for the princess. The third is an extra guardian who stays in the fairy kingdom. He is also the one who takes the place of a fallen royal guardian if it becomes necessary. Usually, there is another prospect that is

being trained to take the place of a guardian, should he fall while protecting his charge. The fairy queen will bless the werebear who is going to take on the role of a guardian. This grants him his extra abilities.” Tristan felt like a professor giving a lecture on guardians. Maybe he should tell them he expects a full report at the end of the day?

“I guess I don’t understand. What if there is more than one child born? Is it only the first-born daughter who gets a guardian? That doesn’t hardly seem fair.” Lilly frowned as she thought about this.

“Well, as far as I know, there have always only been three guardians at a time. The thing is, I cannot recall a queen ever having more than one child, so maybe it would be different if there are more children. I am sure the queen has the ability to make that decision.” Tristan could not think why she could not issue another guardian if there was more than one child. At least he never heard of a rule prohibiting it. “Why? How many children do you plan to have?” Tristan smirked as Lilly tied off the last bandage.

She felt the red rush over her cheeks as she shuffled a foot backwards. “I-I um... this is just for curiosity's sake.” I wouldn’t mind having a whole litter if it’s with Jax. Kira chimed in with her own dig. Lilly and Tyler had not had the chance to be together in that way since before she was taken. She couldn’t help but think about that night when the idea of children got brought up. After all, that is how babies were made.

“Yeah, Lilly... how many babies do you want to have with me.” Tyler looked at her from across the table. His irises were dark with lust as he looked over her. He had also been thinking about having himself a helping of his peach.

“I want to have a couple children, but I never said I wanted to have them with you.” Lilly regained her composure and landed a solid strike. She grinned over at him as he chuckled quietly. “Shouldn’t you be going to fetch our pizza?” Lilly wanted to change the topic. She was afraid of where his counter strike would take them.

Tyler stood up and walked over to her. She watched his slow movements until he stopped just in front of her. Her heart began to betray her by trumpeting loudly and quickly. He reached out his arms and rested them around her shoulders. He held her captive as he stared into her green shining pools. Her lowered his head until his lips were brushing her ear.

“Whenever you want kids, you just let me know. I’ll be happy to oblige.” His hot sensual breath whispered into her ear. A shiver rippled through her body as tiny sparks of lighting danced over her skin.

The doors to the pack house opened and Avery bounced inside. “Come on boys. I have a carload of goodies for tonight! When is the pizza coming?”

Tyler slowly pulled away and grinned at Lilly. He winked at her before he turned his attention back to Avery. "The pizza will be getting delivered here in an hour. So, what are we watching?"

"I decided that everyone will write the movie they want to watch, and we will put it in a hat. Then, whatever movie is drawn, that is the one we watch. No whining, no complaints... but can we please not pick scary movies? I don't want to have nightmares." Lilly giggled as she rubbed the back of her head.

"You have to be sleeping in order to get nightmares, Lilly." Tyler's eyes twinkled at her and when he saw her blush he began to chuckle. He walked out the door with the other two guys to bring in the mass amount of goodies Avery picked up.

"So, what did I miss? The pack is chattering about getting addressed by the Alpha soon to discuss it... discuss what?" Avery looked at Lilly with her brow raised.

"OH! You weren't here, that's right. I found out that I am the fairy princess! And now Tyler is also the fairy prince and... you are not going to believe this. Tristan is a werebear." Lilly excitedly blurted out to Avery, like him being a werebear was bigger news than her being a princess.

"That hunk of flesh is a werebear? That's hot! You should have made him your prince." Avery giggled and she heard an annoyed growl coming in through the door. She turned and stuck her tongue out at Tyler. "What? Alpha's are a dime a dozen, but a werebear... I mean come on."

Tristan chuckled as he followed behind Tyler, who looked annoyed at Avery over her suggestion. He watched as his eyes glazed over and then he let out a sad sigh.

"I have to go and address the pack members. Kade said they are getting restless." Tyler then turned and looked at Tristan. "I shouldn't be long, but watch over her for me." The two men's relationship had changed since this morning. To Tyler, Tristan was now another valuable member of his pack. It was more than that though, he was someone who fought on his behalf. Tristan was right, Tyler could see the two of them becoming good trusted friends. Tyler watched as he nodded to him and then he walked over to Lilly.

"I'll come back as soon as I can. I'll be back before it is time to pick out the movies for sure. I have to make sure I pick some scary ones." Tyler leaned in and gently took her lips into his.

"Umm, I'm coming too." Lilly raised her brows up to him. "Am I not this packs Luna?"

Tyler chuckled. He felt proud of her for wanting to be with him when he addressed the pack. "You're right Luna. Okay, well let's all go and make this an official pack meeting."

“Ugh... I hate meetings.” Tristan groaned.

“You don’t have to come Tristan.” Lilly turned and looked at him as he approached her.

“Yes, I do. I can’t leave your protection up to these mutts. No offense.” Tristan grinned as he looked at Tyler.

“None taken. But that is Prince Mutt to you.” Tyler shot him a wink and the two laughed together.

Lilly was smiling inside as she looked between the two men. There was a new budding friendship there. It was a comforting feeling for her. It felt like... home.

Tyler and Lilly walked out of the pack house together. His arm was wrapped around her waist as they walked out to the assembled pack. Kade had everyone gathered for the announcement.

“Some of you have seen things that we never knew existed and are feeling unnerved by it. I want to first tell you that there is nothing to worry about. These creatures have always existed and, like us, just want to live their lives. As you know, Lilly here is part fairy. What most of you do not know is that she is the princess of the fairies. Just as she has accepted to be my Luna, I have accepted to be her prince. I want to emphasize that this does not change anything. I am still your Alpha. When the time comes, I will leave and a new Alpha will take my place, hopefully my future son.” Tyler said and winked towards his pack who chuckled and nodded their head in agreement. “We are a stronger pack now. I have new strengths and we have an incredibly strong Luna. This has only made our future brighter as we go forward. I hope all of your worries are now at rest.”

The pack members murmured in agreement and shook their heads. If their Alpha was telling them that everything was fine, then it would be. He had never steered them wrong before.

“You’re loyal to her and have accepted fairies as your kind now. How can we trust your words? How do we know where your loyalties lie?” The shrill voice of a familiar serpent rang out. Lilly pinned her eyes on the girl as she moved into view. Jessica was trying to plant a seed of doubt among the pack members.

There was more than one demon that needed to be dealt with.

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“When have I ever given our pack any reason to doubt my loyalties? Am I loyal to my mate? Absolutely. This is not an either-or situation. I am loyal to my pack, to Lilly and to the fairies.” Tyler then looked at her darkly. He did the best he could to do right by Cody, but Jessica was digging her own grave at this point.

“You’ve changed! Everyone can see it. You have changed so much since she came. You aren’t even the same Alpha anymore. How are we to know who’s side you are really on?” Jessica’s snotty voice rang out. The other pack members were noticeably getting irritated with her. She was talking nonsense.

“Of course, I have changed. I am happy now. I have never been this happy in my entire life. That’s hardly anything to blame my loyalties on.” Tyler chuckled as he squeezed Lilly closer into his side. “I haven’t just changed because of my happiness though.” Tyler looked down at Lilly who looked up at him curiously waiting for him to continue. “This is the first time in my life that I have ever been in love. Lilly is not just my perfect mate; she is the woman I love.” He stared deep into her emerald eyes as he watched them water in response to his statement. He wanted everyone to know just how important she was to him. And after everything he had put her through, he wanted to make his declaration of love a public one. The sounds of small cheers and claps were heard throughout the pack. He bent his head down and leaned in and kissed her openly in front of everyone. He pulled slightly away from her and then whispered into her lips. “I love you Lilly.”

“I love you too.” Lilly blushed slightly as she said the words that have been etched on her heart but never said. Falling so fast and so hard was only natural for mates to do. He was her important irreplaceable someone.

“You’re just lying to yourself! You were in love with me too.” Jessica spat out bitterly interrupting the tender moment. “My brother would be so upset to see how I am being treated now.”

What a bitch. There was a bit of hurt that reflected in Tyler’s eyes that quickly vanished as he pushed it aside. She pulled the brother card, knowing it was a sensitive issue with Tyler. It was how she always got her way. She even used that as the reason for Tyler to take her to the dance. She told him if her brother was alive, he would take her so she wouldn’t be alone. It is quite obvious that Jessica has never been a good person which is probably why her brother had worried about her so much. He knew that she was heading down a bad path. Lilly had enough. The pack worked as a well-oiled unit to stay strong. They did not need a bad egg ruining everything and constantly causing conflict.

“Jessica, you think you should be the one standing here as Luna?” Lilly’s eyes bore into Jessica’s as her voice sounded with clarity and authority.

“Yes, I do.” Jessica’s voice dripped with bratty defiance.

“Then take it. If you can. You want my spot then come and claim it.” Lilly openly challenged Jessica. If she wanted the spot for Luna, then she would have to fight Lilly for it.

“Lilly, no. This isn’t necessary. I only accept -“

Lilly smiled and raised her fingers up to Tyler's lips. We can't keep doing this Tyler. She needs to accept her position or leave. If she wants to fight for it then let her. She can't beat me. I can't promise you she will live through it though. Kira has been wanting her dead since day one.

Tyler sighed as he stared into Lilly's eyes. He would rather just kick Jessica out. She wasn't worth even the slightest possibility of Lilly getting hurt. However, this was Lilly's first call as a leader and he would support her. To show the pack he believed in her.

"What do you want to do Jessica? Will you accept your role in this pack? Do you wish to leave the pack? Or are you going to challenge YOUR Luna? Know that there is no guarantee you will make it out alive." Tyler turned to Jessica and watched her curl her lips up in disgust.

"You make it like she is so strong that I can't possibly win." Jessica folded her arms and stared at Lilly challengingly.

Kira growled in Lilly's head. She was more than ready to accept that challenge. "What is your decision? I will be fair. I will let you see what you are up against first. After all, I don't want anyone to accuse me of not being fair and not giving you the chance to back down." Lilly smirked as she stared at Jessica. Lilly could hear Avery chirping to Caleb in excitement, she had never seen Lilly's wolf before.

"I just want to add that as the packs beta, I would not challenge Lilly to a duel. So take that as your warning Jessica." Kade spoke up loudly. What he admitted sent hushed whispers among the pack members. Kade was their second in command and if he would not fight Lilly, then she had to be very powerful.

Jessica scoffed. "You've never liked me. Of course, you are trying to scare me off."

Lilly really couldn't wait to put Jessica in her place. However, it was going to be like an adult beating up a child. Where was the sport in that?

"Lilly..." Tristan spoke up quietly as he walked up behind her. "You fighting... it's going to draw attention to you." He looked over at Tyler and frowned. "It's going to attract the wrong kind of attention."

"Tristan, I can't hide and hope I am never found. I have a job to do, too. I am not afraid. I'm going to live my life. Besides, I have you and Tyler by my side, what is there to ever worry about." Lilly winked at Tristan who grunted and rolled his eyes.

"You can't compare me with your royal mutt." Tristan smirked at Tyler who chuckled in response.

"Look, you might be tougher than me, but I would definitely make you think twice before engaging with me in a real battle." Tyler watched Tristan laugh but nod in agreement.

No one wants to willingly engage in a tough fight, even if they know they will probably win.

“Aww is your protector there worried about you fighting?” Jessica hissed out trying to poke at the coals.

Tristan chuckled; his eyes turned dark as he stared at the pathetic creature. “You are not even close to being a worthy opponent for my princess. Do you not have any self-preservation? If you fight against her it is a suicide mission.”

Lilly took a step forward. It was time to show the whole pack exactly what Lilly’s wolf looked like. The sound of clothes ripping was heard and in an instant a giant wolf with shiny dark fur stood there looking out over her pack. She turned her focus to Jessica and rested her gaze on her. The ball was now in Jessica’s court. If she still insisted on fighting, then she would gladly oblige her.

“Awe you’re like a big fluffy teddy bear!” Avery chirped as she looked at Kira in amazement. She thought her wolf was gorgeous, she was always so proud to have Lilly as their Luna.

Tyler reached out and stroked Kira’s dark fur before he playfully tussled her head around. “Now isn’t this the cutest puppy you’ve ever seen?” Kira wagged her tail and licked up at his face. She leaned her body into his and he chuckled as he continued to scratch her head. “You’re a big puppy.” He said as he supported her weight. “Your fur is so soft.”

“Let me feel.” Tristan reached out and touched the fur on her head. It was indeed very soft. Tyler furrowed his brows and swatted Tristan’s hand away. She was his to touch and pet.

Okay guys, I’m not your pet to fight over. If you want a puppy, then let’s go get a puppy. Lilly mind linked both guys, as Kira ate up the attention, though deep down, she was loving the rubs and attention from Tyler.

Seeing the affection between Tyler and Kira immediately relaxed his pack. She might have been a huge wolf, but that didn’t change who she was. She was still their Luna. If anything, they were even more excited to see her wolf. Having such a large wolf as your Luna only meant for a stronger pack. In just a short amount of time they had become an incredibly powerful pack. They had the fairy princess and even had a werebear living among them now. Things were definitely looking very good for the Diamond pack.

“Just because your wolf is big doesn’t mean you know how to fight.” Jessica continued to spew venom, though her bottom lip was noticeably quivering. She had no one in her corner to stick up for her. She was standing on her own.

It doesn't have to be this way Jessica. I'd take a moment and really think about what decision you are about to make. I will either kill you or you will be banished. Lilly was being more than accommodating. Even though she hated Jessica, she still had a tender spot for someone who was unwanted. She at least wanted to give her a chance, even if she didn't deserve it. Kira stood staring at Jessica, piercing her with her green gaze.

Jessica stared back at the dark wolf who was watching her intently. She wondered if Lilly even had combat experience besides the little run in she had when she first came there. Jessica had trained with the other she wolves and had fighting skills. Even though the wolf in front of her was large, she was betting she wasn't very experienced and could use that as her advantage. Besides, she hated Lilly. She came there and ruined everything. She was going to be the Luna of the Diamond pack. She was going to be the next in charge and everyone would fawn at her feet. She wanted to fight with Lilly. She wanted to prove just how unfit Lilly was at being the Luna of their pack.

Jessica sneered at the wolf in front of her before effortlessly shifting. Her small brown wolf stood defiantly looking at Kira. It would be a tough battle, but she was determined to pull it off. She would show Tyler that she would be the better Luna.

I've been waiting for this moment for a very long time. Kira couldn't wait to engage in a fight with her. She has it coming but let's not kill her. All things considered; it would still be painful for the pack to see her killed. Lilly planned to stay in joint control, but just in case wanted Kira to know how she felt. Okay, but everything else is fair game. Kira answered as she eyed her prey in front of her.

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Lilly could see that Tyler was antsy seeing that a fight was about to happen. Inwardly she smiled and Kira turned and looked at him. She wagged her tail letting him know that everything was fine before she drew her attention back to the brown wolf.

The pack distanced themselves from the two she wolves, everyone except Tyler and Tristan. Both men were going to stay as close to the fight as possible.

The two wolves circled each other beginning the choreographed dance of an early fight. Two sets of unreadable eyes were locked onto each other and flickered at the other. There was no fear to be found in Kira's eyes, only power and determination. The small brown wolf was intensely staring at the large black wolf, she was searching for an opportunity to strike.

Tension filled the air, the only sounds that were heard were the breathing of the two wolves and their soft paw steps as they squared off with each other. It is in that frozen split second in time that the tension is at it's highest, both waiting for the other to strike. These two could never be friends. It was clear to everyone that only one of them could remain in the pack. This fight, between the two she wolves, was about more than rank

and mate. It was about acceptance, something that both wolves wanted and needed. It was about proof of power and it was about revenge.

Kira set her claws into the ground, securing her position as she waited for the brown wolf to strike. The brown wolf lunged towards Kira, who lunged back in retaliation, successfully taking the bait. The brown wolf was smaller and more nimble and she quickly spun and clawed into Kira's backside, landing a bite on her back before pouncing away again.

Kira didn't yelp but growled lowly at the cheap maneuver. Lilly could hear the internal scoffing laugh Kira made. This little brown wolf stood no chance. With a flash of speed, she attacked. There was no escape as she went straight for the brown wolf. Jessica's wolf tried to stand up on her hind legs and claw at Kira, landing a few scratches to her shoulder as Kira sunk her teeth into her leg. She shook her head, throwing her effortlessly. Before the brown wolf could recover, Kira leaped onto her, pinning her to the ground. Her teeth were bared as she leaned her head down to her neck. The little wolf could not move under the pressure of Kira's strength. Leave, you are banished from the Diamond pack. If you return, I will finish what I started. I am being benevolent towards you this time only. You are to be gone before sunset.

Kira took a few steps away, allowing for Jessica to scramble to her feet. If she attacked again, Kira would kill her. With a few whimpers, the brown wolf took off howling as she fled. Her pack sounded off loudly, cheering for their Luna. Not only did she win, but she showed mercy. They were all filled with a sense of pride over their new Luna.

Tyler walked up to her and held her head in his arms. He gently stroked her head and leaned his head into hers, lightly kissing the wolf's head. He then pulled away and looked her over, inspecting the minor wounds she had received. They were only minor wounds, but they were injuries inflicted on her. No matter how good of a friend Cody was, he could never forgive his sister for her actions. His protective nature kicked in, his eyes flickered darkly as he looked at her lacerations. Lilly was kind, too kind. She allowed Jessica to leave with her life... Jax was livid. How dare a lowly wolf injure his mate. He wanted to make an example out of Jessica, to show others what would happen if they ever touched the Diamond pack's Luna. But this was Lilly's call. She was the one who decided Jessica's fate. Tyler had to love her sweet and forgiving nature though. He messed up so much in the beginning. If it wasn't for that, he may not have her by his side now.

Are you okay? Tyler asked, as he moved back up to her face. Kira sneezed at him and opened her mouth with her tongue hanging out, panting happily. As if a tiny wolf like that could really hurt her?

Tyler chuckled and then roughed the hair up on her head. Let's get you back and showered so we can get our movie night started.

Lilly came down from the shower and turned into the kitchen. She stood there staring, looking over all the junk food that Avery had gotten.

“Wow you got everything!” Lilly grinned as she looked at all the mouthwatering goodness.

“Everything, but the licorice.” Avery winked at her and the two giggled.

Lilly watched as Cedric and Tristan began to make their way over to the couches. “Ah ah ah... where are you two going? Get back over here. You are helping.” Lilly flashed them a wide grin as the two men moaned in protest.

“You will have no problem eating the food. You can at least help prepare the spread.” Avery chimed in, in agreement.

“Cedric, you can make the punch. Tristan, you are going to help me make the cookies!” Lilly excitedly bounced over into the kitchen and Tristan slowly followed her. He was happy though. Seeing Lilly so excited and being the most normal he had ever seen her warmed his heart. He would do anything to keep her smiling, even if that meant baking cookies.

Tyler was slowly walking back to the pack house. He was seeing Jessica off, but not for any sentimental reasons. He gave her a final warning as she left. He wanted her to know that her being allowed to leave was an act of mercy and that she should be grateful to Lilly for that. He told her that she would never be welcomed again in the Diamond pack territory and that if she ever did anything again to cause harm to Lilly that he would personally kill her. He watched the taxi drive her away out of sight before he returned back to the pack house. He hoped that allowing her to live would not be a mistake. As he reached the house, Kade and Caleb were also returning, all at the same time the pizza had arrived.

There were so many boxes of pizza, but when you consider there are four male werewolves and one werebear, it was probably just about right. Tyler’s eyes met with Lilly’s as he walked in. She was the first person he was looking for. He walked up to her and pulled her into his embrace.

“You smell delicious.” Tyler growled lowly in her ear.

“I was making cookies.” Lilly giggled.

“No, it’s not the cookies.” He whispered quietly into her ear causing that evil red glow to seize her cheeks again.

Lilly spun and grabbed a cookie and shoved it into his mouth. If he was wanting dessert first, then he could eat a cookie. She was having her movie party.

“Not exactly what I was wanting, but it’ll suffice for now.” Tyler pulled her out in front of him so he could look her over. She had a bandage on her leg and on her shoulder from her fight earlier. He frowned and gently inspected her bandages closer. He leaned down and kissed her shoulder, resting his head into the crook of her neck.

“Tyler, you’re not worrying about me, now are you? They are just minor wounds and are already almost nothing. The bandages are just there as an abundance of caution.” Lilly leaned her head into his and whispered quietly into his ear.

She felt him nuzzle his head into her neck as he wrapped his arms around her. She felt his breath in her scent and lay sieges of small kisses on her neck. She giggled and leaned her head into him. “You better behave yourself or I won’t be sitting with you during the movies.” She felt him chuckle into her skin before he planted one more kiss, right on her marking spot. The kiss sent a swarm of red-hot tingles through her body.

He pulled away and kissed her forehead. “I know I don’t need to tell you this, but you are amazing.”

“If you two keep this up we won’t be having a movie night because you’re going to end up in the bedroom.” Avery flicked Tyler’s arm as she walked by holding some pens and paper.

“Okay everyone. Write your movie down and toss it into the hat.” Avery tossed hers in first and everyone else followed suit. She then reached in and pulled out a piece of paper.

“Paranormal Activity.” Avery waved the paper around and eyed the men around her trying to figure out who picked that movie.

Lilly chewed on her bottom lip. She left the room when Aaron and Mattie were watching that movie. She couldn’t take it. Some big bad werewolf she was. She sighed as she looked over the triumphant men looking around her. They were just happy it wasn’t a chick flick.

“Don’t worry Lill, I’ll protect you.” Tyler squeezed her tightly and then grabbed them a couple plates of food. She followed him into the theatre section of the pack house. Everyone began taking their seats and were chatting happily among themselves.

She took her seat in between Tyler’s legs and leaned her head back into him. She felt his large comforting arm swing around her, holding gentle into him. Jessica was banished from the pack and she found out that she was the fairy princess; she may have seen dragons and a werebear fight, but this was close enough to a normal day for her. And it was a great way to end it. Surrounded by friends, with tons of yummy food, she couldn’t remember feeling so content.

With a smile she thought, Bring on the scary movie, I can handle it this time!

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Lilly sat there with her fingers in her ears and she softly hummed to herself as she watched the movie in front of her.

Tyler leaned forward and chuckled near her ear. "What are you doing?"

"The noise and music are a big factor in a scary movie. If I take that away I can at least watch the movie. Shhh." Lilly used her shoulder and brushed him away. She could feel his chest vibrate as he laughed at her. Look, she had no problem fighting a pack of rogues or facing off with a demon, but she drew the line with scary movies. What sick person invented them?

It was towards the end of the movie when a body came flying towards the screen, she jumped and hopped up. Nope, nope, nope and nope. She fled to the kitchen and dished her out some popcorn. Her heart was pounding in her chest. She began humming her song from earlier as she bent down in the fridge picking out something cold to drink. She was trying to drown out the sounds from the movie that was still playing in the background. She felt a pair of warm hands snake around her waist as she shut the fridge door. She was pulled back and was leaning back into a warm chest. She felt the rumbling of the chest from laughter as she spun around in his arms.

"You aren't really scared of a movie, are you?" Tyler leaned down and smiled as he kissed her forehead.

"Don't make fun of me." Lilly swatted her hand at him as he gently caught it with his own hand. He drew her hand up to his lips and delicately kissed her hand.

"We don't have to watch movies if you are afraid." His voice was suggestive and low as he stared at the emerald eyes in front of him.

"Ha, nice try. You are just afraid you are going to have to watch a chick flick next." Lilly moved her fingers up from his lips and flicked his nose gently. Little did he know that she had plans for them later that night. Something had been delayed for far too long because of everything that had happened. It was something that she felt she needed to do; she needed to mark her mate. Another movie was definitely in order first, hopefully something cheerful with a happy ending.

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Lilly stared at the words she drew out of the hat. This is what happens when there are five guys putting their picks in and only two girls. But seriously, what were the odds of this happening?!

"What does it say Lilly?" Caleb asked, as he came to her side. He read the words and busted out laughing. "Paranormal Activity 2, Ahahahaha!"

“Aww, poor Lilly.” Avery walked over to her and put her arm around her. “We don’t have to watch it toots.”

“No, a deal is a deal. I don’t want anyone complaining when we have to binge chick flicks another day, so I won’t complain now.” Lilly huffed... sleep would definitely not be coming to her tonight.

“What I find creepy is that there were two people who voted for practically the same movie. And who in the heck picks a sequel as their pick?” Tristan eyed the men up around him. He wondered who picked what?

“Lilly is sitting with me through this movie.” Avery pulled Lilly along with her. “If the guys are picking scary movies just to scare us, then we won’t sit with them.” She whispered quietly in Lilly’s ear.

“Aww, Avey, baby. I want to hold you.” Caleb whined as he followed behind them.

“Too bad.” Avery snorted.

Tyler was also sulking as he walked into the room. Talk about your all-time backfire. He just wanted to hold Lilly close and feel her snuggle deep into him. He sat on the couch and eyed Lilly as she sat on some bean bags with Avery.

Kade flipped off all the lights before he came in, followed by Cedric and Tristan. Kade was acting like a child on Christmas as he hopped on the recliner with his bowl of popcorn. It was safe to say that one of these movies was definitely his pick.

The movie was about three quarters of the way in. Lilly’s heart raced like a hummingbird and her whole body was tense. What was worse? She had to pee. The house was pitch black and the bathroom was located at the other end of the house. She leaned towards Avery. “I’ll be right back; I have to pee.” Avery nodded to her but was glued to the movie. Lilly slid off the bean bag and discreetly snuck out of the room.

She tip-toed through the dark house of unparalleled paranormal danger and managed to safely reach the safe room... the bathroom. She quickly peed and washed her hands before she had to run the gauntlet again. She entered the dark abyss as the sounds of loud stomping were heard from the home theatre speakers. Each thud thumped in her chest making her mouth dry. A small shudder crept up her body as she inched towards the kitchen so that she could get a drink to quench the cotton throat that had formed. She reached out to flip on the light.

GGGRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRR

The loud clash of noise ripped through the air. Lilly screeched and frantically flipped the switch back off. It was the garbage disposal, not the light switch. Lilly slid up against the counter and slid down onto the floor. Her heart had not exploded though she thought it

was going to. She sat her head in her hands and began to giggle at herself softly. The evil paranormal garbage disposal got her.

The lights flipped on and she felt a pair of warm hands around her arms. She glanced up out of her hands to see several pairs of concerned eyes looking down at her. She fully lifted her head while giggling seeing everyone sigh in relief, seeing she was okay. Tyler, who was kneeling in front of her, let out a breath and pulled her into his arms. She giggled into his chest and looked up at him.

“I accidentally turned on the garbage disposal.” Lilly scrunched her nose up and stuck her tongue out a bit.

It wasn't long after that, that the room erupted in laughter. She could feel the gentle vibrations of Tyler's chest as he held her in his arms.

“Geez Lilly, you gave us all a heart attack.” Tristan leaned on the counter and continued to chuckle in his hands.

“Funny, a house full of tough shifters all jumped at the sound of the loud noise and your shriek.” Avery giggled and turned back to return to the movie.

Tyler lifted Lilly in his arms. “You are sitting with me for the rest of the movie.”

“Wait, I still need my drink.” Lilly giggled as she wiggled out of his arms. She scurried over to the fridge and grabbed a bottle of water. Tyler hooked her in his arms again and corralled her back to the couch. He sat down and then snared her hips in his hands, plopping her down between his legs.

Kade settled back into his chair with his renewed bowl of popcorn and turned the movie back on. Of course, it was right at a high suspense scene. Lilly squeezed her body as deep as she could into Tyler. The loud thumping of footsteps was heard again, and she buried her head under his arm.

She felt his strong arms curl around her as his fingertips gently played with her exposed skin on her arm. She felt her body relaxing, leaning deeper into him (if that were possible). His hands gently caressing her skin, unconsciously (maybe) stimulating the butterflies in her stomach. Her breath caught in her throat as she felt the warmth of his breath nearing her neck.

Okay, he is definitely trying to torture me, Lilly thought as she felt a shudder slip down her spine. That small involuntary movement was her queue to escape before it was too late. She pulled away as quick as lightning. She heard a small, quiet groan escape his lips in frustration. Yeah, he was definitely trying something there. Lilly smirked at him and playfully patted his leg as she moved out of reach onto the floor. He wasn't the one who was calling the shots this time... okay he still was which was why she had to

escape. She felt the betraying heat settle in her cheeks and she was glad that the lights were off so he couldn't see the effect he was having on her.

THUMP THUMP THUMP

Nothing like a scary movie to help destroy the mood, in a sense she was thankful to that too. She was the one who had plans for him... though it seemed like they both had plans for each other. Lilly popped her fingers back in her ears determined not to break under the fear torture movie.

The lights flipped on and everyone was getting up and stretching.

"So, what did you think Lilly?" Kade asked in overeager excitement.

"I now know what sick psychological movies tickle your fancy and I think I'm going to have to sleep with the light on for weeks." Lilly slowly drew herself up from the floor, feeling the extra set of hands aiding her from behind.

"Well you already watched one and two... you have to finish the series now." Kade grinned widely and she turned and glared daggers at him. She then pulled out the fake sad pout.

"You really enjoy tormenting me that much to make me watch more of those films." Lilly lowered her head and stuck out her bottom lip.

"Nice try, but won't work on me princess." Kade grinned and Lilly giggled and shrugged him off.

"Fine I'll finish your series, but then you all have to watch the Love saga with me." Lilly beamed in triumph as the men held up their hands in pure fear and anguish.

"Who's game for another movie?" Kade asked as he held up Paranormal Activity three.

Tristan and Cedric hopped back on the couch both declaring they were game.

"As much as I'd love to, I have early patrol tomorrow so I'm out." Caleb said and tugged Avery along with him.

"Yea, you can forget it. I am not watching another one of those movies." Lilly waved the pups off and then waltzed up the stairs. She could hear Tyler quietly following her, she knew exactly what was on his mind, but she was going to play with him a bit.

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Lilly felt the eyes of a hungry wolf on her as she casually went to the dresser to grab her things for the night. She wasn't a lamb who would be this predator's prey. She grabbed

her things and then walked into the bathroom. She looked over the large stone shower with multiple shower heads, then next to it was a large stone step down bathtub. She was getting a shower but promised the tub in her head that she would be a frequent visitor.

So much had happened since she came here. There was so much she wanted to tell her father and brother about and things she wanted to ask them too. From the moment she arrived at the Diamond pack, things have been unraveling nonstop. She was finally able to spend a real night again with her mate, even if it was after another eventful day.

Lilly sat her clothes down and went and turned the water on in the shower. As she turned back around Tyler was standing there watching her with amusement twinkling in his eyes.

“Can I help you?” Lilly said raising her eye and inwardly wincing at her choice of words. She watched his lips curl up and he took a couple steps towards her.

“Actually yes, there is something you and only you can help me with.” He eyed her greedily and watched as she smiled at him.

“Oh... well when I was asking... I wasn't really asking. I was just being nice. I'd love to give you a hand... with whatever it is you need my help with... but I'm about to get a well-deserved shower.” Lilly curved her lips in a half smile. She took a few steps closer to him and gave him a playful kiss on his jawline.

“What about my shower?” He was looking down at her and his eyes flickered back and forth with his animal inside.

Lilly stared at him for a moment. She was playing around with the idea in her head. “Listen, you can join me, but if you try anything, then I'm sleeping in another room tonight.” Lilly tossed her clothes off and hopped into the hot shower. She heard his low chuckle that made her stomach dance in excitement.

He knew she was teasing him, but he couldn't promise for how long he could let her play her games. He discarded his clothes and opened the shower door. He watched as the water cascaded over her golden hair and splattered as it hit the shower floor. Her pale pink lips were slightly raised in a smile as her closed eyes let the water splash over her face. He continued his stare downward, taking in the sight of the rest of her body with lustful greed.

“Are you getting in or are you planning to just stand there and stare?” Lilly opened one eye at him and watched as his eyes flickered up to hers. She closed her eyes again, hearing the door shut to the shower and feeling a hot presence standing dangerously close to her back. Through the hot water she could still feel his heat. It was sizzling her back and she wasn't sure which one of them was being played in this game anymore.

Lilly spun around and looked up at him. The water was pelting down onto them, but its heat was nowhere close to their own. The two bodies were creating a radiating inferno between them. With a vixen smile, Lilly reached behind him, brushing her front on him, as she grabbed her shampoo bottle. She poured some in her hand and began lathering her hair up, washing the long day off of her. She felt a warm scrunchy rub in gentle circles on her back and her stomach tightened in response.

He leaned close to her, allowing the water to beat upon his head and whispered into her ear. "Allow me to help you." He felt the shiver in her body as he began to proceed. He slowly began washing her body with very gentle and delicate movements. There was only one end to this game she was playing, there was no other option he would allow. If she wanted to draw the anticipation out a bit longer, then he would indulge her and heighten her senses. He watched as she rolled her head back and relaxed into his touch. Her neck was looking all too inviting and it was taking all of his self-control not to take his mate in front of him. His breathing was becoming ragged and shallow as he felt the intimacy between them grow.

Lilly's lips curved up as she spun around and took the scrunchy out of his hands. She looked into his eyes that were staring dark pools into hers. She began to wash him reaching out and placing her hand delicately upon his chest. She could feel his heavy breathing as she made her way over his chest. She then poured some shampoo into her hands and pushed his shoulders down to give her access to his head. She massaged her fingers through his hair noticing his body tightening under her touch. His fists were clenched, and she grinned knowing that he was fighting for self-control. She leaned into his ear and whispered, "you can rinse off now". She then hopped out of the shower leaving a very frustrated man to finish showering alone. Lilly giggled as she heard the groan he let out and she wrapped herself up warmly in her towel. She would quit teasing him now before he couldn't take it anymore.

The shower water turned off and Tyler stepped out of the shower. His eyes immediately locked onto hers, but he was waiting to see what she did next. With surprisingly calm movements, Lilly reached a hand behind his neck, letting it play in his ebony hair, before standing on her tiptoes and bringing their lips together. Tyler immediately followed her lead, wrapping both arms tightly around her and kissing her longingly, but carefully, pouring his desire and love into her through a hundred kisses.

A roaring electricity flowed through their veins. Lilly's hands dug into his back and grasped onto him as she felt her entire body go limp beneath his increasing demands. Her lips tingled with the gentle, caressing kisses, slowly deepening. Tyler felt the girl in his arms become light as a feather and all thoughts vanished away. The sudden crashing of heaven upon him made him tighten his grip onto her. He lifted her body effortlessly in his hands and carried her out of the bathroom, his lips never leaving hers. He could feel her hands roaming over his shoulders and back, before settling upon the black hair at the nape of his neck. His lips began grabbing for more of her taste, aching for the delights sending shivers speeding down his spine. As if she was a drug, he only desired more. He gently laid her body onto the bed and settled in on top of her. Lilly felt

his lips urging hers apart, slowly coaxing her to open her lips to his assault. Slowly, her lips parted, and she gasped at the feeling of his tongue slowly entering her mouth, tasting her, playing with her. And then she groaned at the incredible sensations. Tyler heard her pleasurable moan beneath him, and it only caused him to deepen the kiss even further, though he knew he was probably bruising her sweet lips by now.

Lilly pulled away from him and the two of them panted for air. She was not going to let him set the tone... not yet... she couldn't get completely swept away yet. She gently nudged him to his back and he curiously obliged her. His eyes were glued on her like she was an enchantress that he couldn't look away from. She climbed on top of him and leaned in to capture his delicious lips again. The sparks of electricity jolted between them, she gently pulled away trailing kisses over his neck. When she reached a special spot on his neck, she licked it sensually. He let a quiet growl of pleasure ripple through his throat and she felt the pull of what she needed to do. She drew her canines out and sunk them deep into his neck. She felt his body tense and shudder then heard his moans of pleasure following them.

She felt a surge of warmth embody her as she slowly pulled her canines out from his neck. She licked the spot she marked and listened to him moan again in response. There was a deeper connection flowing between them now, it was intense.

In a flash, he rolled himself on top of her. He leaned down letting his warm breath tickle her lips, he kept an arm around her holding her possessively. He held her with his strong arm, but with such a tender gentleness. She had taken him by surprise when she marked him, but he couldn't have felt happier. It was something that not all females took the initiative to do. It was more special and showed a level of acceptance and possessiveness that had Tyler on cloud nine. He gazed into her green emerald eyes as he positioned his arousal near her. In this intimate moment, with their eyes locked, he thrust into her. The intense dance of passion between them was the two of them claiming each other. He had claimed her, and she had claimed him. Now and for always.

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A thunderous growl ripped in the air as a man glared out in the distance angrily. He looked at the group of men in front of him and scowled at them. He did not like what he had just heard. His princess was already mated and to the Alpha of the Diamond pack no less. He was late in retrieving his prize, her damn mother made sure of that. He hoped he still had time to claim her, but time was running out. He was strong but it would be suicide to waltz into the Diamond pack to take her. On top of that a wretched guardian was already with her. This complicated things. Even for him, a guardian was a potential threat, because of what they were able to do. Every guardian had a double-edged sword that they could use if the situation was desperate. He would have to move forward quickly but cautiously.

There was something he wanted from the princess, something he wanted desperately. He had a plan laid out in his mind and the princess was the key. He wanted control over Elysium, and he needed the princess for his plans. He missed his chance once; he couldn't afford to miss it again. He found her briefly right outside of the Diamond pack territory, he was even close enough to communicate to her in her mind, but then she disappeared again. One of his abilities was that he could link his mind to whomever he wanted to open communication with.

"Gather my allies. We are going to have to make our move soon. Do it secretly and quietly. We can't allow unwanted ears getting wind of our plan."

The men bowed their head to the man "Yes, Lord Abaddon."

His dark eyes glared in front of him as a chill swirled in the air. This princess was a prize that he had to capture. He wasn't sure how tough she was or if she would even put up a fight, but he would have to be prepared. Her mother was a pacifist and, deep down, he was hoping her daughter was as well. He didn't have alpha blood running through his wolf half so that would already set him at a disadvantage. She was also stronger, since she was mated to a strong Alpha and then, on top of that, she was the fairy princess. If she did fight, he would need his pack of half demons to help subdue her. He also had another dirty ability up his sleeve that should come in handy. Soon, very soon, he would have his allies ready to go to her.

Abaddon clenched his fist and gritted his jaw. It better not already be too late.

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The sun was shining in when Lilly finally began to stir awake. She was trapped deep in a secure embrace and was intoxicated with his heavenly scent. She felt a deep contentment, but it wasn't just her own. A deep powerful emotion washed through her of love and devotion, and while she felt this way, these were not her feelings. She looked up from her arm prison and met with Tyler's eyes that were lovingly staring at her. These were Tyler's emotions! How was she feeling what Tyler was feeling?

It's rare. I've only heard of this happening a couple times before. It's a sign of being soul mates. Tyler's thoughts rang into Lilly's head.

You know what I am thinking too?! Without me willing it into your mind? Lilly gasped as he answered her quiet thoughts.

Tyler chuckled and kissed her forehead tenderly. Yes, I can feel what you are thinking.

So much for Christmas surprises... Lilly giggled and looked at Tyler in wonder. It was an amazing gift to be able to feel how he felt about her. She could never have insecurities this way, because she would always know how he felt.

"I love you too Lilly." Tyler plucked her chin up and deeply pressed his lips against hers. The warm kiss lingered with an intensity that had both of them clouding over. They could feel each other's response to the other which only made the hunger for the other more intense. The kissing was becoming more urgent and demanding, both bodies responding to the feeling of the other.

A burning sensation starting to stab in Lilly's stomach which made her snap her head back at the sudden pain. It came and went so quickly but was enough to shatter her out of the intimate moment. She didn't know what the feeling was, but it wasn't bothering her anymore so she wasn't going to worry about it.

"What was that?" Tyler asked being able to feel it too.

"You were able to feel it too?" Lilly raised her eyes and looked at him widely.

"I could, but it was different. I knew it wasn't my pain, but yours... I hope this doesn't mean that I will feel childbirth too." Tyler looked at her with a bit of concern.

Lilly giggled. "Aww, big tough Alpha is afraid of the pain from childbirth. Anyways, the pain is gone now so maybe it was a weird hunger pain. I am feeling pretty hungry."

"Me too." Tyler grinned and kissed her forehead. "We can continue this later."

Lilly giggled and let him help her out of bed. Within a few moments the two were making their way down the stairs and into the kitchen.

Kade had made ham and cheese breakfast sandwiches, that smelled amazing! Lilly squealed in delight as she took a seat that had a steamy sandwich sitting in front of it.

"Kade, I love you so much right now!" Lilly beamed as she took a huge bite of her sandwich.

Kade froze for a moment and immediately looked at the possessive Alpha who sat beside her.

"I love you too Kade!" Tyler said as he also took a huge bite of the sandwich.

Kade looked between the two feeling thoroughly creeped out. Tristan pulled up a seat across from the table just as Cedric walked into the pack house.

"You better have made enough for everyone Kade." Cedric smiled as he eyed the big tray of sandwiches sitting in the middle of the table. He then glanced at Kade's confused looking face as he took his seat. "What's up with you?"

"Umm Lilly told me she loved me and instead of Tyler getting all green eyed jealous he simply said he loved me too.... The universe is at a tilt. Something bad is going to

happen.” Kade said, as he scooted into his seat, eyeing his Alpha suspiciously. All of the sudden his eyes grew wide. “Is that... Tyler are you MARKED?!”

“What?! Let me see!” Avery bounced down the stairs and eyed her cousins’ neck. “Atta girl Lilly! You show that Alpha who owns who.”

Wow I am surprised he isn’t embarrassed over this. Lilly thought to herself.

What’s there to be embarrassed about? I’m actually quite proud of my mark. If I had long hair I would be wearing it up today. Tyler winked at her as he took another bite of his sandwich.

Hey quit listening to my thoughts. Lilly scolded.

Can’t. They just pop into my head. Better quit thinking. Tyler grinned as he looked over at Lilly who was giving him a crooked smile.

“It’s rude to mind link like that in front of us.” Avery pouted not knowing what the two were saying.

“Actually... we weren’t mind linking.” Lilly said quietly and suddenly she had everyone’s attention.

“I guess we are soul mates. After she marked me last night, we can now hear each other’s thoughts and feel what the other feels. Which is why I didn’t get jealous, Kade. There wasn’t an ounce of her that was thinking about you. What she was really saying was she loved your sandwiches. At least that’s all her head was screaming.” Tyler smirked as he finished the last bite of his food. “They are delicious.”

“Wait... you can even feel each other’s pain? What about childbirth man?!” Kade asked and noticed the small gulp in Tyler’s throat.

“Ahahahaha sucks to be you.” Tristan started laughing and then looked at Tyler seriously. “So, is that normal? To feel what each other is feeling and hear each other’s thoughts after both being marked?” Tristan was a werebear after all, not a werewolf.

“No. It’s very rare. First, it is rare to have a shewolf dominant enough to have the drive to mark her mate. Avery has never marked Caleb. It doesn’t mean they don’t want them, but that their wolves don’t have that pull. Then, on top of that, to also be emotionally and physically connected... I know it has happened before, or at least it is rumored to have happened before. Though no one knows of anyone. So, yea... that rare.” Cedric said with a small chuckle.

“CEDRIC!!!! YES!” Tyler yelled causing everyone to jump. Lilly immediately started giggling.

"I don't think so, Ty." Lilly was giggling as she saw him look and frown to her.

"Aww, Lills." Tyler whined and slunk back in his seat.

You want him in the birthing room too? Lilly raised an eye up looking at Tyler who finally screwed the light bulb into his brain.

"What?" Cedric asked cautiously.

"He was going to use your barrier abilities so that in the future he wouldn't have to feel childbirth. That is, until he realized you would have to be in the birthing room too, since you have to have a physical connection to Tyler." Lilly watched as Cedric's lips curved upwards.

"You could always have Tristan in there. After all, his job is to take the pain away anyways." Cedric gave Tristan an evil glare.

"All this talk about babies... I mean Lilly are you trying to tell us you're pregnant?" Tristan grabbed another sandwich not even looking up.

"Okay, one. I love you all, but I am not about to share my birthing experience with everyone, so Tyler suck it up. And two.... I am not pregnant, so we can change the topic." Lilly turned and looked at Cedric. "But I wonder if you could do like a mental block on us for special occasions so we can still surprise the other..."

"I can probably do something like that, but can only hold it up for maybe a week or so. I know I can on Tyler, but you will be tricky because of your magic. It will have to be trial and error." Cedric was deep in thought trying to think how he could manage something like that with the princess.

"Cedric..." Lilly bit her bottom lip suddenly serious. Tyler put his arm around her and gently rubbed her back. He already knew what she was thinking, thanks to being soul mates.

"Thank you... for being there for me then. You were my friend back then and it must have been hard for you. With me not remembering you." Lilly was quiet. She watched the gentle smile spread across Cedric's face.

"Keeping you safe was all I ever cared about, even back then as a child. When I first met you and felt the spark when we first touched, I thought it was interesting how your suppressed magic recognized me. I also knew I had to be careful not to release your seal. It wasn't hard because I knew that you would remember me again." Cedric then frowned slightly. "If anything was hard, it was afterwards when you came here. Hearing how you didn't have any friends, when you really did. I have always been and always will be your friend."

“Cedric, I would like to invite you to move into the pack house with us. I have given this a lot of thought and your loyalty to Lilly is inspiring. You even ignored my dumb Alpha order so that you could still watch over her. You belong here, so please accept the offer.” Tyler said as he squeezed Lilly’s shoulder. “It would make us all feel better to have you close and have instant accessibility to you.”

“So, you mean you want me to be a built-in bodyguard and abuse my powers?” Cedric chuckled and then nodded in agreement. “I would be honored to move into the packhouse. It makes it easier on me to continue to keep her safe.”

“Sooo you two still up for some training today?” Tristan grinned and looked up to Tyler and Lilly.

“Let’s do it!” Lilly cheered.

Okay but take it easy I don’t want you getting hurt. Tyler frowned as he looked over at his precious princess. He knew it was necessary to train, but he still wished he could wrap her up in a bubble and keep her safe.

Lilly smiled and leaned up and kissed Tyler’s jawline. “This will be fun... even if you are going to get your butt kicked by Tristan.”

Tyler chuckled and then looked over at Tristan. “It will be nice to have someone I can go all out on without having to worry about hurting him.”

“Yea, now if I only had someone like that.” Tristan grinned and Tyler let out a dark chuckle.

“You better go all in with me or you will find yourself in trouble.” Tyler smirked as he stood up. This was going to be an interesting face off for sure. Tyler had new powers and couldn’t wait to see what he could do.

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Tristan, Cedric, Tyler, and Lilly made their way to a private training ground. It was exclusively used for the Alpha only. They sat their bags of clothes on the ground and Tristan and Tyler continued to walk out deeper into the enormous field.

“Alright pup, time to show me what you’ve got.” Tristan tossed his shirt aside and shifted into his massive bear.

‘You ready for this Jax?’ Tyler asked his wolf. ‘Let’s do this!’ Jax eagerly responded, he was always up for a challenge.

Tyler shifted into his silver wolf.... but something was different. His wolf was bigger than before. He was bulkier and taller. His silver fur tossed gently in the air as he assessed himself.

‘You look amazing!’ Lilly’s voice echoed in Tyler and Jax’s head.

The silver wolf turned to look at his mate and wagged his tail. He was surprised by his new size, but more than that, he was surprised by the strength he was feeling inside of him. Was it because he accepted being the fairy prince or because she marked him? Maybe a combination of the two, but whatever the reason, he was a lot stronger now. He directed his attention to the big burly bear in front of him.

‘Whenever you are ready...’ Tristan’s voice echoed in Tyler’s mind as the big bear looked at the silver wolf intensely. He had sparred with werewolves before... but not one who had been granted fairy powers. It would take him time to discover his new powers, but the immediate change in his strength was evident.

Even with Tyler’s increase in size, he still could not compare with the size of Tristan’s bear. It was a mammoth and he would have to be smart about fighting him. He would be faster than the bear and would try to use that to his advantage.

The silver wolf dashed in at incredible speed towards Tristan. Right when he was almost upon him, he jukeed to the left and pounced on top of the bears back. He didn’t dig his claws in or sink his teeth in since Tristan was not a real enemy and he was not intentionally trying to injury him. They could still spar but show some restraint.

He was not expecting Tristan to turn so fast into him. He flew off from the bears back and was soon dodging the incoming paw swipes coming from the bear. The two clashed against the other on hind legs. Tristan’s body swallowed up the wolf’s and he came down on top of him. Tyler’s wolf wasn’t done. He rolled out in a blur and charged into Tristan with a mighty force. The force caused the bear to lose his footing and he crashed into the ground on his side.

‘Very good. I’m glad to see you are stronger then I thought. You are also even stronger than you even know.’ Tristan stood and looked at the silver wolf. A warm light flowed around him and it continued to grow as the fighting intensified.

After an intense session, the two guys came back. They changed into their clothes and collapsed on the ground in front of Lilly. Sweat was pouring from their bodies and they were both breathing hard.

“Not bad mutt.” Tristan said as he threw an arm over his eyes to shield them from the sun.

“I’m glad you are on our side.” Tyler breathed out tiredly. There was a new appreciation the men had for one another and also respect.

“So, who wants to spar with me?” Lilly grinned as she looked down at the two exhausted men. The two men chuckled quietly. “Cedric, I guess you are up.”

“Uh um no... I forfeit.” Cedric said holding his hands up in the air. He was no match for her wolf, let alone her fairy powers.

“I’m going to get warmed up but then one of you boys better get out there or I am coming after all three of you!” Lilly barked as she walked out deep into the field.

“Rock, Paper, Scissors?” Tristan turned his head and looked at Tyler who was lying down near him.

“Ummm you’re the guardian. It’s your job.” Tyler waved his hand dismissing the chore to him.

“She’s your mate. It’s your job.” Tristan snorted and covered his head with his arm again.

“Right, I’ll wrestle with her in bed. Not my shift.” Tyler grinned and then glanced over at Tristan.

“Well... if you want me to wrestle with her during the day then I will.” Tristan leaned up on his arm and smirked over at Tyler.

A low growl ripped out of Tyler’s throat and his dark eyes met Tristan’s eyes. Even as a joke, his possessive wolf did not like the innuendo. “I’ll spar with her.”

“Good.” Tristan smiled triumphantly and leaned his head back down.

Lilly slipped out of her shirt and shorts and quickly shifted into Kira. Her black wolf leaped in the air and shook her body loosening it up. She looked over towards the men in the distance who were lazily sitting on the ground. They did not look to be in any hurry to join her.

She inwardly sighed and then froze. She felt that odd pain again. It was a quick stabbing pain but then it vanished again. The sun beat upon her with an intense ferocity. It felt like it was concentrating itself onto her. Something was coming to her mind being drawn from the depths of somewhere. The pain started up again as a burning energy surged inside of her. It was like a flood gate had unlocked and a strong power welled up inside of her, a power that was new to her. The energy was fierce... almost too intense. There were powers that were colliding inside of her. The power of a werewolf Luna, the power of a fairy princess and something else. The powers were merging together unifying in the same body.

She laid on the ground and whimpered softly at the excruciating pain that was surging inside of her. It was like a transformation. When she first shifted into Kira the pain had

been severe, but minor in comparison to this. The agony invaded her brain blocking all thoughts and mind links. The suffering she was feeling could not be ignored, it wasn't possible, the liquid lava flowed over her body, dominating her senses. It came in waves, with each small recede came the hope that the pain was leaving, only to return viciously again. All she could do was writhe and whimper as she felt like her insides were being consumed in acid.

The men came running up to her. Their minds had been screaming out to her, but it was clear that she could not hear them.

"Lilly?" Tyler knelt down beside her, he was doubled over in pain as well from the mating link. She yelped as he reached his hand into hers. "What's wrong with her?" Tyler spoke through clenched teeth as he looked up to Tristan who was studying her intensely.

Tristan knelt down beside Tyler. As he did, he took his shirt off and tossed it over the body on the ground. She was subconsciously shifting back. "Lilly?" Tristan reached his hands out and rested them on her shoulders, bracing himself for the exchange of pain. A wave of pain shot up into his arms. It washed over him, drowning him. It was debilitating, even for someone such as himself. It was one of the most agonizing pains he had ever felt. It was like being set on fire, but worse. The burning sensation was brutal and sent piercing stabs throughout his body. He began to struggle with his breath as he clung onto her shoulders, refusing to let go for her sake. The pain was merciless, but he pushed on, seeing that Lilly was finally having some relief. It was his job to protect her and to take her pain.

Tyler felt helpless, as he watched tears of anguish pool from Lilly's face. What was going on with her? His eyes watered in response; he would do anything for her. The pain was finally beginning to lift from his body with Tristan there. He looked up at Tristan and saw the beads of sweat pouring down from his face. He could tell from his contorted face that the pain must be immeasurable for him as well. He leaned his head down into Lilly's, gently touching her face as he did.

"Baby, I'm here." Tyler softly cooed to her.

Lilly was beginning to regain her senses. The pain was finally stopping, and a gentle light enveloped her. It was her glow. Cedric had a glow, this was hers. This was not one of her fairy powers though. She felt Tyler's warm tears on her cheek and could feel Tristan's hands on her shoulders. In the back of her mind something was coming to her. She could see a flame flying towards her consciousness. Lilly let herself drift deep into her mind and she met with the flame. It was a bird of fire, a phoenix.

'I am a fire deity, Suzaku, and I have chosen you as my summoner. You only need to call me if you are ever in need. Your fairy powers will be given a rare elemental gift, the gift of fire. Rule your people well, princess.' The fiery bird glowed away. Lilly opened her

eyes and reached her hand up to gently touch Tyler's face. His eyes popped open and he pulled back a few inches so he could look at her.

"Are you okay?" Tyler cupped her face in his hand as he saw a tired smile spread across her face.

"Yes, I am okay. I'm not going to lie... that hurt like hell. My wolf transformation was nothing compared to that." Lilly sighed hoping she wouldn't have to feel a pain like that again. "Are you two okay?"

Tyler chuckled. "As long as you are fine then so am I."

"Yeah... that pain was pretty bad." Tristan released her shoulders and plopped back on the ground with his eyes shut.

"Tristan I am going to wear your shirt since I am sporting my nudist wear." Lilly giggled as she found her strength to sit up.

Tyler flung his shirt off of him and handed it to Lilly. "Wear mine." He gurgled with a childish smile.

Lilly rolled her eyes and put Tyler's shirt on her.

"A little over the top, eh pup?" Tristan said as he sat up again.

Tyler shrugged. "I don't want the body I'll be ravishing tonight to have your scent on it." Tyler smirked and Tristan chuckled.

"Touché."

"What was that about Lilly?" Tyler reached out and took her in his arms. He could see the new glow about her but wasn't sure what it meant.

"You are not going to believe this... but I was visited by a fire deity. It was a phoenix named Suzaku. She said she would be my summon and had granted me the gift of fire. I'm guessing the pain was the merging of the new power with my other ones. I am not sure. I just hope I don't have to feel that again."

"You are a special case Lilly." Tristan sat up looking at her. His face still glistened with sweat from what he had just gone through. "Man, you are pretty tough. To be in that much pain and only let out a few quiet whimpers... that's pretty amazing."

"You said you were given the gift of fire?" Cedric said as he walked up to the group. He had stayed back at a distance out of respect for his naked princess. "You want to show us the power you just learned? You should be able to feel it."

Lilly smiled. She was curious about it too. She knew what it was, but not how it worked. She held out her hand and opened it, envisioning what she wanted to happen. Fire began to dance in her hand. A small flame hovered in the air and then swirled around her in an entrancing light. The moment she closed her hand the light vanished.

"I'm going to have to practice it a bit more."

"Now isn't that amazing..." Cedric said awestruck.

"I don't think anyone could have ever imagined this." Tristan was equally enthralled with what he had just seen.

"I mean... I think that is the coolest thing I have ever seen. How rare is that skill?" Tyler said as he rubbed Lilly's arm affectionately.

"I don't know... extremely rare. She is the first fire elemental I have ever heard of. It is a very powerful gift. The mixing of two powerful lines brought about an amazing phenomenon." Cedric knew Lilly was amazing, but she was even more incredible than he ever knew. Only someone powerful like her could have drawn a fire deity towards them.

"I have never heard of someone getting granted a summon and an elemental power from them. I think you are the first." Tristan looked over at Lilly, wondering what was in store for her. For a deity to appear and grant her a special power probably meant one thing, that there would be troubling times ahead and she would need a strong power in order to pull through. What was scary was this, if a deity was intervening it could only mean one thing... there would be problems with the demon world in the future.

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Lilly leaned her head into Tyler. They were both feeling drained from the intense pain. She looked over at Tristan, who also was wearing fatigue on his face.

"Well, if anyone is ready to spar, I think I'll have a go at you now." Cedric said with a flashing white smile. The cast of annoyed looks he got only made his smile widen even further.

"Do I get any cool powers?" Tyler asked, as he finally stood to his feet, pulling Lilly up with him.

"You have to discover them on your own, but you have more power within you than you know." Tristan rose to his feet and stared at Tyler intently. The two of them hadn't realized yet just how powerful they were. They were only hitting the tip of the iceberg. Together, they were strong. They could draw from each other. Tristan was pondering an idea but was going to speculate about it some more. These two were chosen to be together for a reason. He had a feeling that one day, they were going to have a brutal

fight on their hands, and they would be the key to winning it. Not only them... but their lineage.

“Well, the best way to keep testing things out is for us to have daily sparring sessions.” Tyler grinned over at Tristan who returned a smile of his own. In truth, the two men enjoyed sparring against one another. It was a challenge for both of them and they could both benefit from it.

“This time don’t leave me out.” Lilly huffed and glared at the two men.

Tyler squeezed his arms around her and buried his head in the nape of her neck. He tenderly kissed her neck. “We wouldn’t dream of leaving you out. As much as I hate the idea of you sparring, I want you to be prepared, just in case anything ever happens.”

This is how their days went over the last several weeks. They trained and honed their skills every day. Lilly had adapted to her new fire skill and she could even communicate with Suzaku. It was like another mind link. Tyler and Tristan were becoming rougher and more intense with their training and Lilly had been training with Tyler. It was weird training with him though. If he landed a blow to her he would immediately stop engaging in the fight and come over and start licking her, making sure she was alright. She was learning a lot and getting tougher. Already, she had improved so much since her fight with Jessica. Speaking of Jessica, they had not heard anything from her since she left. They hoped it would stay that way, but Lilly had the feeling that she was a skeleton in the closet that they would have to deal with again eventually.

Lilly finally was able to speak with her brother Aaron. She explained to him everything that had happened to her. Aaron had completely taken over as the Alpha and her father had been traveling off and on ever since. Aaron did not know about her mother being a fairy and Lilly had not been able to reach her dad yet. She had so many questions for him, but he was unattainable lately. Aaron said, even when he did come home, it was briefly just to make sure things were still going well in the pack. Aaron told her that Mattie had found his mate and he was completely smitten with her. This made Lilly happy since Mattie had found his happiness just like she did. The two planned to get together soon in the future by having a small dinner together and Lilly was excited about that. She missed Aaron and could not wait to see him again.

Tristan and Tyler were sparring but in their human forms. It was important to practice and train in every aspect. Lilly couldn’t help but watch Tyler’s body. His well chiseled chest and bulging defined arms, even how they glistened with sweat, he was mouth wateringly gorgeous. Her lustful thoughts drifted to thinking about his body in bed and how those same powerful arms hold her so tenderly and preciously. Her licentious thoughts finally hazed over as she noticed the two had stopped fighting. Tyler was staring at her; his eyes were dark as he looked over her like a little lamb.

You keep thinking like that and I am not going to be able to keep fighting. I can't concentrate with those thoughts popping up in my head... I'll gladly oblige your needs. Tyler was staring at her with a wry smile resting on his face.

Ugh, caught by the soul mate link again. This had become a reoccurring problem. Well it wasn't really a problem. She was incredibly turned on when she caught him lusting after her and then when they were being intimate... She stopped herself again from taking those thoughts any deeper.

A red crimson stained her cheeks and she looked away. Keep on sparring. I can control myself... okay maybe not.

"Cedric, why don't you come over and experiment a little." Lilly heard Tyler chuckle but then return his attention back to Tristan as Cedric sat next to her.

"Okay Cedric, just for curiosity's sake we need to see if you are able to use a mental barrier on me. You don't have to block all aspects, but see if you can do just enough that could block the soul mate thought link. If it is going to hurt too bad then don't do it." Lilly looked at Cedric who smiled at her gently.

"It shouldn't hurt me. The reason it hurt before was because I was blocking all of you. I was making your presence invisible. Let's see what I can do." Cedric sat in front of Lilly and stared into her emerald pools. He looked deep inside trying to find a link he could use to ground his magic in. As he was staring a glow was coming forward through her green orbs. A flaming bird was peering back at him. He quickly pulled back and let out a shallow breath.

"You better talk to Suzaku first. I think she is going to light me on fire if I continue." Cedric chuckled nervously. There was a murderous intent staring at him in the face and his heart froze for a moment before he backed out.

"Oh, okay." Lilly drifted into her consciousness. It was actually a very neat experience. She could meet with Kira in the depths of her mind and was also able to see Suzaku who visited periodically.

"Suzaku, I was going to have my friend put up a mild barrier to prevent my thoughts from entering my mates head. It would just be temporary just to see if we can. This way in the future I can still surprise him." Lilly spoke to the flaming bird in her mind.

"It isn't a good idea. You two are linked for a reason. You need to be able to know the moment either of you are in danger so that you can go to the other. You are strongest when you are together. You were not just blessed as soul mates randomly. This was intentional." Suzaku's light flickered in and out as the flames danced around it.

“You are saying that us being soul mates was planned? Is it because I am the fairy Queen’s daughter and the Alpha’s daughter and mated to an Alpha? I don’t understand.”

“It is because of the destiny you hold. Something big is going to come about during your lifetime. Your mother knows of your future legacy. You will need to talk to her about it. I am not permitted to give away the future... He can do the barrier, but it shouldn’t be done often. Only in very rare occasions.” Suzaku then vanished and Lilly snapped back into reality.

She had gotten permission, but what Suzaku said was bothering her. What exactly was in store for them in the future. She did not like the sounds of it since the implications were big. Lilly was not stupid. Suzaku was saying they were linked for a reason and that the two of them were the strongest when they were together. Their destiny had something to do with them needing to use their powers together. She mentioned that her mother knew more about it... what did her mother know? She would have to plan to make the trip to Elysium soon. Not only did she want to see her mother, but she also wanted to know what knowledge her mother had. There was something ominous about the way Suzaku was speaking, almost like the fate of the world was depending on them. That was a lot of weight to bear.

Lilly felt Tyler’s arms wrap around her from behind. She snapped her head away from her thoughts and looked up to him. She could see him looking at her with a small smile... the soul mate link again. He could feel her mild distress and from her own thoughts, already accessed as to why.

“What’s wrong Lilly?” Tristan plopped down and shoved an apple in his mouth.

Lilly smiled and just shrugged. She really didn’t know what was wrong, if anything. She just was suddenly putting the pieces together and she knew that something big was supposed to happen during her lifetime.

“You guys wouldn’t happen to know what my mother knows about my destiny... would you? Suzaku said something big is going to happen during my lifetime. She said Tyler and I being soul mates was planned and that we are strongest when we are together.” Lilly looked at the two men but was assessing Tristan’s face. He seemed to be in deep thought about something again and he wasn’t sharing.

“Tristan... what are you thinking?” Tyler asked the question that was on Lilly’s mind for her. He squeezed Lilly’s arm and pulled her deeper into his embrace. They had a destiny? That sounded pretty cool to him.

“Ah, it’s nothing really. Just some random thoughts...” Tristan stopped and looked at the glares he was getting. “Ugh! Okay. I didn’t say this before but why would a deity intervene? Logically speaking, for them to get involved, it is either a fight with other deity’s, or it will be because of demons. There is a half demon that is after the princess.

I don't think we ever really got into this before. This demon is half werewolf too, but his werewolf half is from a normal werewolf and doesn't have Alpha blood. I wonder if this destiny has something to do with a battle against the demon realm. Now it wouldn't be the whole realm, their dark priestess would never allow it. That doesn't mean that a band of demons do not go off on their own. But man... a battle against demons... I mean we would need to have one of the strongest alliances around for that. We would need more than just fairies and werewolves being united... which is where my next thought enters. This big thing that is going to happen... maybe it is not going to happen for a while. Until your stars align into place. Your future children may also have a role to play in this. I don't know. Maybe that is where the deity comes into play. To help aid in the area we are lacking. Or maybe it doesn't mean any of this... which is why I was keeping it to myself. It was just what I was thinking made sense." Tristan rubbed his head again. "Man, if it is demons, we have to fight, maybe we should up our training. Those things are nasty and dirty. They have so many nasty tricks up their sleeves."

The three stared at Tristan quietly as they mulled over their own thoughts. The idea that they may be smack dab in the middle of a very dangerous war was a bit numbing for a moment.

"So, what you are saying is that we are kind of a big deal?" Tyler said with a smirk on his face that caused them all to laugh. "Seriously though, I don't give a damn about what we will have to fight in the future. We will destroy anyone who stands against us. Anyone after Lilly or my family are signing their death certificate. We will train and be prepared to take out any threats no matter who or what they are."

"Now that's hot Tyler, no wonder Lilly keeps daydreaming about you." Tristan let a sly grin spread over his lips as he watched Lilly turn into almost a shade of purple. Tristan would protect them with his life. No matter what danger was ahead of them, Lilly and Tyler were his family. Over the last several weeks the two men had bonded. They were closer than friends, they were family and they trusted each other with their lives, which is a good thing because they would need to do that in the future.

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Lilly put on a dark green sun dress and applied a light layer of make-up. It took a few days of coordinating, but they were finally having Aaron, Cadence, Mattie and his mate over for dinner since Tyler still wasn't letting her outside of the pack borders. Lilly bounded down the stairs and into the loving arms of Tyler. She was excited to be able to see her brother. This was the longest she had ever been away from him.

Tyler swirled her around in his arms, causing her to giggle. He could feel her excitement and he was happy for her. He gently placed her back down onto the floor and Kade walked over to him with his arms up.

"Oh. I see... No twirly twirly for me." Kade smiled as Tyler gave him a playful shove away.

“Man, I’m hungry.” Tristan bellowed, as he smelled the steaks sizzling.

“You are always hungry.” Cedric rolled his eyes in annoyance and walked up to Lilly.

“Princess, you look stunning as always.” Tyler gurgled a bit towards Cedric. “Now don’t get jealous, you’re lovely too.” Cedric grinned triumphantly and took a seat at the table. Everyone had grown very close to one another. It really was like a family. They teased and joked with one another but everyone of them would risk their lives for the other in a moments notice.

Lilly looked over her wonderful family. Avery and Caleb were swooning over each other at the table, while Kade and Cedric were teasing Tristan about the food. Then there was the man who had his arms around her lovingly. She loved him more than she could ever say in words. Her emotions for him were so deep that she worried about how she could ever go on with out him. He was her air and without him she did not think she could live.

‘You don’t have to ever worry about that. I’m never leaving your side babe.’ Tyler tilted her head up to his and kissed her warmly and passionately, pouring his love for her into the kiss. ‘You don’t have to put into words how you feel about me because I can feel it myself. I know. Just like you know, I feel the same way about you.’

It was true. He loved her so possessively and so intensely that there was no way she could deny how he felt about her. Now, if only he would let her leave the pack borders every once in a while. She couldn’t stay locked up forever. She needed to visit her mother soon.

‘Just a bit longer until we can track down this demon that is after you.’

‘Hey! Get out of my thoughts.’ Lilly elbowed him playfully as the sound of a vehicle pulled up. Lilly raised her eyes in excitement and then a moment later a knock was heard at the door.

Tyler chuckled at her child like excitement and walked up to the door and opened it. The moment he did Aaron stepped inside and instantly swooped up Lilly into his arms. He lifted her off the ground, hugging her tightly.

“I missed you so much Lills.” Aaron held onto her tightly and gently lowered her back to her feet.

“I missed you too. It’s been way too long.” Lilly looked up at her big brother. Becoming Alpha had changed him, his aura was different and he seemed to have grown a bit bigger in the muscular aspect.

Aaron turned his attention to Tyler and shook his hand. “Thanks for taking good care of my sister.”

“No need for any thanks there. She is precious to me.” Tyler’s eyes shined as he looked at Lilly with adoration. A blind man could see how much he loved her.

“Where’s my Lillibug at?” Mattie said as he walked into the house.

“Mattie!” Lilly squealed and was wrapped into his monstrous hug. “How have you been?! I miss you and game nights! I heard you found your mate?! Congratulations.”

“You look so well. I can see you are being well taken care of.” Mattie gave a nod over to Tyler before returning his attention back onto Lilly. “Yes, our mates should be here soon. They were driving separately because they were out shopping together. Wow, Lilly, you can’t imagine how much we have missed you.” Mattie gave her one last squeeze that felt a bit too intimate for Lilly.

Lilly took a small step back and was immediately wrapped in Tyler’s arms. His face was smiling normal but, in his head, he was threatening to kill Mattie if he kept looking at his princess like a piece of meat. Lilly was appreciating his restraint since it was solely for her benefit. Still, something felt off about Mattie. He seemed... sad. The more she looked at him there seemed to be an odd aura about him. Maybe she was just imagining things.

“Um, let me introduce you.” Lilly said as she turned to point out the rest of the room. You already know Kade, and that’s Tristan over there, I know you met him before too but he has changed a lot! That is Avery and Caleb and this guy over here is Cedric. He was the best friend that I forgot I had.” Lilly’s smile faded as she redirected her gaze over to Tristan. He was hiding something... she took in a soft sniff through her nose. He was eating pie! One of the pies she had baked for dessert.

“Tristan!” Lilly growled and took off after him.

Tristan sprinted around the table and the chase was on. She chased him around the kitchen bar and back around the table.

“Nice try pup but I’m too fast for you.” Tristan beamed back at her with his pearly white teeth.

Pffft. Lilly flicked her finger in his direction sending a burning cinder to his arm.

“Ouch, LILLY!” Tristan growled and turned and narrowed his eyes at her. “That’s cheating!” He then turned and charged back at her.

Lilly let out a little yelp and spun around. She sprinted into Tyler, whose arms wrapped around her protectively.

“Oh? You think your pup can protect you?” Tristan said as he took a dangerous step forward.

“Reach for her and find out.” Tyler grinned as he stared at Tristan. Lilly giggled in the safety of his arms. She felt Tyler pulling her body behind him as he braced to square off with Tristan.

‘Boys...’ Lilly rolled her eyes inwardly... always looking for an opportunity to wrestle.’ She was suddenly plucked out of Tyler’s side and had someone else’s arm around her.

“You two can go ahead and fight... I’ll take the girl.” Kade winked as he had two sets of deadly glares land on him.

Kade grinned widely and pulled Lilly closer into his chest to tease his Alpha. “Some protectors you have there Lills, I managed to pluck you right out from your mates’ side. And that guardian of yours... I hope you can return it for a new one.”

Tristan and Tyler were standing side by side banding together to fight a common evil.

“You guys are a rowdy bunch.” Aaron chuckled. Watching the scene in front of him warmed his heart. He could see that Lilly was really happy here. More than that... she belonged. Which was more than she ever had in her home pack.

Lilly looked over at Mattie again. Something was bothering her about him. She was having this weird pull... like she needed to help him. She didn’t understand it, but something about him was making her feel apprehensive.

Just then another set of knocks was heard at the door. “I’ll get it, that’s probably the girls.” Mattie said as he opened the door. In walked Cadence in her designer jean and top, her face painted up and she entered with her sickening fake smile. But she wasn’t the one that had everyone’s attention. It was the girl behind her who walked in.

“This is my mate, Jessica.” Mattie announced as he swung his arm around the girl.

Everyone froze. Well this is a weird turn of events. Do we throw her into a Coliseum and fight to the death? Or should we give her a chance to see if she is different because she has actually found her own mate now.

I told her she wasn’t welcomed back here. This is dirty. She should have told them she was banished. Tyler’s voice snarled in Lilly’s head.

Lilly mind linked with her pack in the room. “Okay everyone. Let’s just take this one easy step at a time. Let’s try to salvage the evening... It’s the first time I have seen my brother for awhile so let’s try to ignore the evil bitch for now.”

Lilly set her eyes onto Jessica who was looking directly at her. “Actually, we have met her before. It is a long story, but we all know who Jessica is, including Kira.” A couple snickers were let out by Tristan and Avery. “Anyways, dinner is ready, and Tristan here can’t hold on any longer.” Lilly walked over and smacked Tristan in the gut.

The group all took their seats at the long rectangular table. Mattie, Jessica, Aaron, Cadence, Avery and Caleb all sat on one side. Across from them was Tyler, Lilly, Tristan, Cedric and Kade.

“How has daddy been?” Lilly asked as she cut up her meat on her plate.

“He seems preoccupied. I’ve been meaning to talk to him, but he keeps leaving. I am not sure what he is up to.” Aaron said with a small frown.

“He is probably demon hunting.” Tristan said causally as he continued ripping into his food.

“Wait... what?” Aaron asked as he stared at Tristan.

“Well it makes sense. He knows that a blood thirsty demon is after his baby girl... now that he knows she is safe here he can go out and hunt this demon out.” Tristan was staring at his food not bothering to look up.

“Lilly, you never told me it was a demon!” Aaron looked at her angrily from across the table.

“Heh, oops.” Lilly gave him a small smile as she hunkered her shoulders down a little.

“Don’t worry Aaron. She is well protected here.” Tyler rubbed Lilly’s back tenderly as he turned his head to look at her.

“Wait... Is that... Lilly did you mark him?!” Aaron pointed at the mark on Tyler’s neck as he turned his head. It gave off the perfect view of his neck.

Lilly heard Jessica practically choke on her food and inwardly she was smiling at this. She met her eyes with Aaron and smiled. “I’m possessive like that.” Lilly grinned as she looked up at Tyler. He was grinning ear to ear and leaned in and kissed her forehead tenderly.

“She really is the best mate anyone could have asked for.” Tyler said proudly as he looked at her in adoration.

“Well I think that is pretty masculine for a female to mark her mate.” Jessica’s voice hissed out and a small smirk played upon Cadence’s face.

“Really? I think it’s hot as hell.” Kade winked over at Lilly and his lucky bastard of an Alpha.

“Sounds pretty sizzling to me too.” Tristan said with a shrug.

“I’m not going to lie... It was incredibly hot.” Tyler said with a crooked smile on his face as his memories flashed back to that night.

She elbowed him lightly. “Stop thinking about it. You are going to make me blush.”

“You’re already blushing.” Tyler teased her lovingly.

Lilly looked up and shrugged to Aaron. “You know Kira has always been very Alpha wolf like... Hey wait a minute...” Lilly looked over at Jessica and then back over to Mattie. “I thought you two were mates. Why isn’t she marked?”

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She watched Jessica shift uncomfortably in her seat. Mattie was looking down a bit embarrassed and then met his eyes with Lilly. “I haven’t been able to. My wolf is refusing to mark her. It’s weird...” Mattie said with a bit of embarrassment.

This was a red flag for Lilly though. The alarms were ringing loudly in her ear. Something was not adding up. Cedric... do you sense something off with Mattie? I keep seeing remnants of a blue aura or something around him. Something feels off...

I have already been wondering about that princess. From the moment he walked in... I don’t know how he usually is but there is something unusual about him. Cedric answered her and Tyler (who eavesdropped through the soul mate link) was now looking at Matteus with interest.

“Have you and your wolf been communicating normally?” Lilly asked trying to dig into more details. Lilly watched Jessica excuse herself to use the restroom out of the corner of her eye.

“Actually... it’s been a bit fuzzy lately. Like I am getting a bad reception.” Mattie frowned a bit.

There was something off about him for sure. His happy go lucky demeanor was gone. He seemed less confident and sadder. Something else was bothering Lilly. He still seemed to have lingering affections for her. It’s happened before, but it wasn’t usual once you found your mate.

Maybe it was because of the weird coincidence with Jessica, but she was suspecting foul play.

“How did you and Jessica meet?” Tyler was agreeing with Lilly’s thought process.

“I was out on patrol and I found her near our borders. It was on my way bringing her back to the pack that I realized she was my mate.” Mattie answered Tyler but was looking at him curiously. “How do you guys know Jessica?”

“We will answer that in a minute. When you first laid your eyes on hers you didn’t immediately know she was your mate?” Lilly asked, continuing to press further.

“No, it wasn’t right away... Where are your questions heading because I feel like you are preparing for an exam.” Mattie eyed Lilly knowing she was in thought about something.

Do you think it was a potion or something? What could cause someone to think they found their mate? Lilly asked Cedric.

Fairy, demon, or a witch all have these powers... my money is that she bought a witch’s potion. It is probably something she drank to make an unmated male think she is their mate... The only problem is I don’t know how to reverse it or if it can be reversed. Cedric frowned knowing that Lilly would be distressed hearing the last part.

Avery, bring the bitch back here. Lilly ordered the all too willing Avery. Avery hopped up out of her seat and trotted over to the bathroom.

“Mattie... I think you may have been tricked.” Lilly said with a sad frown. “Jessica has been banished by our pack. She is a misguided person and has an unhealthy obsession with Tyler. I think she did something to you to fool you into thinking she was your mate.”

“What?!” Mattie and Aaron both yelled out.

“She’s gone! That sleezy skank.” Avery yelled which confirmed everything Lilly was thinking.

“She must have figured out we were onto her. Caleb get the patrol, see if you can find her!” Tyler ordered and the man quickly went to work on it.

“I’m sorry Mattie. This wouldn’t have happened if it wasn’t for me...” Lilly couldn’t help but feel remorse. Jessica purposely went to her old pack knowing that they would meet with Tyler. She probably had picked out Mattie knowing he was an unmated Beta.

“This isn’t your fault. I feel a bit overwhelmed and confused. I don’t know how I am supposed to be feeling.” Mattie shook his head a bit in agitation.

Lilly wanted to help him. She could feel this pull inside of her but wasn’t sure what she was supposed to do. She stood up from the table and walked over to Mattie.

“I’m still new to this whole fairy side of me... but maybe I can help? I could also scramble your brain or catch you on fire... your call?” Lilly was not sure if she could help Mattie or not, but she knew she had more power then she had even discovered. So maybe, just maybe there was something she could do.

“Do it. If you can do anything, please do it. I don’t want to feel fake feelings for someone. Plus, my wolf is screaming for you to do something too.” Mattie was pleading with Lilly to try anything she could to help him. He felt confused and being pulled in different directions. He needed help; he could not live like this. The moment he saw Lilly he thought it was weird how he still felt for her. How did he continue to have these feelings... it had felt stronger than what he had felt for his mate. Now it made sense, it was because he had not found his mate.

Lilly wasn’t sure what to do exactly, or if she could do anything. She closed her eyes and concentrated on the warmth she had deep inside of her. A gentle light, that she could almost see with her eyes closed, washed over her. She slowly took Mattie’s hands into her own and concentrated. A sickening feeling started to crawl into her, making her feel nauseous. She was drawing it out of him, but what was she drawing out of him. It was dark... impure... tainted and foul. Lilly’s hands began to shake as she continued to draw the fake lure from him. She could sense it... she could smell it. Focus on your light Lilly! Don’t ever stop focusing on your light! Suzaku commanded from within her head. She finally released Mattie’s hand and took a few staggering steps backwards.

Tyler was at her side and she held up a staggering hand to keep him away. She was feeling nauseous and didn’t want to get sick on him. Of course, Tyler ignored her hand of warning and wrapped his arms around her gently. He could feel what she felt and knew what her senses were picking up.

“So... Jessica is consorting with demons... seems to be in cohorts with the demon that is after Lilly as well. The moment we find her she dies. I warned her... I warned her...” Tyler was shaking with fury.

Calm down love. I’m okay. Lilly leaned her head into Tyler’s chest and she felt his breathing calm down. She then turned her direction back to Mattie. She was hoping that what she did worked.

“Mattie, how are you feeling?” Lilly asked quietly.

He looked up at Lilly and smiled. “It’s gone. It’s all gone. The fuzzy feeling, the foginess... everything feels normal again.”

“What did you do Lilly?” Kade could see the glow but wasn’t sure what had just transpired in front of him.

“I took it out of his system and into myself.” Lilly answered calmly.

“You know your mother also had healing gifts too.” Cedric said quietly smiling at Lilly. “Your mother was able to heal injuries, though that wasn’t all. You have so many different gifts and abilities. It will be exciting to see what they all are.”

“Will she get wings and fly?” Kade asked in a childlike excitement.

“You watch too much television.” Cedric scoffed loudly.

“Jessica has signed her death certificate.” Tristan’s eyes were dark and angry. The idea that she consorted with demons and the very demons that were after Lilly sent an icy rage through his veins. He had a hard-enough time dealing with his anger over miniscule things. He was furious and barely controlling his rage.

Alpha! There are rogues everywhere. We are getting over run on the North side. Caleb mind linked Tyler with urgency.

I’m on my way. I’ll bring the rest of our warriors too. Tyler turned and looked at Kade.

“Kade, mind link with the pack. We are under attack and need all warriors to report towards the northern border.” Tyler then turned to Lilly. “Stay here.”

“Don’t you dare! We are stronger together. I am coming with you.” Lilly was furious he was asking her to stay back.

“I’ll fight with you Tyler; I need to vent this anger out.” Tristan stood up and pumped his fist in his hand.

“Cedric stay here with Lilly. Aaron please stay here and keep her safe for me.” Tyler pulled Lilly deep into his arms.

Please, baby. Don’t fight me. Stay here. We don’t know what we are up against. I love you Lilly. Tyler gave her a deep kiss full of urgency and passion. He then pushed her shoulders back and into Cedric’s arms before rushing off with Kade and Tristan.

“Don’t worry Lilly. They’ll be back in no time.” Avery said trying to calm her nerves as well.

“Hey Lills, you’ll be able to feel if anything is wrong. So, don’t worry.” Cedric’s voice was calm and gentle as he gently held onto Lilly’s shoulders.

“Should we help too?” Mattie asked Aaron.

“No, we will stay here and make sure Lilly is safe like Tyler asked us to. This doesn’t seem like a coincidence to me. The thing with Jessica and the rogues... demon involvement. This all seems to tie in together.” Aaron looked at Lilly he knew she was already thinking the same thing. All the more reason to stay back and keep an eye on her.

We should be there... we need to be there too. I don't like this. Lilly frowned as she felt her agitation grow. Kira was angry too. She was pacing around her head. She was anxious to be by her mate as well.

She could feel the build up and anticipation rising inside of her. And then it was nothing but chaos and fury. Tyler was there and fighting. She felt the surprise he had, the numbers were larger than he had anticipated. He didn't seem too worried, but she got the feeling that the battle would take longer than he originally thought.

Lilly walked away from Cedric and went into the kitchen to get something cool to drink. She felt on edge. She felt like she was being backed into a corner and had no choice but to face what was in front of her head on.

I've found you.