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Chapter 51

Just after dinner Ash waited for her to come back, he knew that she had given him the slip. He sensed though it was something she wanted to do alone. Yeah, he had to admit he was smothering her a bit, he couldn't help it, everything about her captivated him. He was hooked and he liked it.

He hid in the tree's just outside the house she was visiting, he could listen in on the conversation but he felt he should let her have some privacy, His Cat scoffed at that, "You have not given her one ounce of privacy since you first met her. If I was her, I would of taken a swipe at your silly ass by now."

"Ash laughed, really now I and I alone have been all over her, who purrs everytime he wraps himself around her?

Ash could almost hear Linus's eyes roll in distain. Seriously though he was just as gone on Marnie as he was.

There she is coming out of that house, he hid himself on the other side of the tree, along the path she will have to take. She looked happy but lost in thought. A semi could roll up along side her and he didn't think she would notice.

Just as she was about to pass the tree, Ash reached out and grabbed her, pulling her tightly to him. He reached his hand behind her head and pulled her in so he could kiss her. She didn't resist so he deepened the kiss, taking over her sweet lips, parting them he then took full possession of her mouth.

When she pulled away, he put a

finger to her lips to stop her from talking

"Don't say anything, if this has to end then so be it, if it means that you will be safe, I am ok with it. Just for this one moment let me hold you. Lets for just this one glorious moment pretend that it is just you and me."

She pushed him away from her, with a smile she whispered to him...

"It doesn't have to be just pretend for one moment in time, Mr. Kitty. I was talking with the elders, they said that our being together isn't as unusual as we thought, It is entirely possible for us to be together as mates. Now you will do this right and go asked my brother for permission, then meet me in my room afterward."

"Marnie, are you sure? Is this true? We can be together? Umm....wait, what...if your brother says no.?"

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He picked her up twirling her in the falling snow as he laughed in joy. Putting her down he straightened his back and started to walk to the pack house, he turned back to Marnie...

"Well go and get ready for me to come to your room, my big bad shewolf."

She giggled..."Don't worry about my brother saying no, Adria would skin him alive if he did." L

With that Marnie ran off to her room, as Ashton went to see the Alpha.

Marco was surpised when he received yet another email. This one said that the meeting would be postponed until the King clears up some personal issues. He promises to be in touch soon.

He <u>read the</u> next email it was from Jack, all is going well they managed to find places for the survivors, and five of them found their actual families. And

that the facility was now nothing but some rubble amongst the trees.

Marco let out a sigh, "well at least for some the torture is over." He wondered though how much more was going on elsewhere in the world, is there anymore closer to home. He promised himself that he was going to be much more watchful in the future.

He also intended to teach others in the pack, what to look for. To investigate and report it to him. They will determine what to do with a full investigation. No more assuming the world is all good, just because they were

Lily was going crazy with the heat, everything they tried didn't work. If it did work it didn't last very long and she would be in the same state as before. She started crying out of fustration and pain.

That was when Zinnia started acting more crazy then before, she started rubbing and prancing making little whiny noises. Lily got frustrated with her. 12

"Stop that, you're acting like a slut, you know we are alone in this. There is no way I will go out of this room, you want me to give us to the first male that comes along?" That was when she heard a ver<u>y loud</u> and long howl coming from somewhere in the castle, it sounded close. Zinnia started to prance again saying in a sing song voice, it's mate, it's mate."

"Zi<u>nnia y</u>ou know that our mate is dead, he is never coming back. Stop that right now."

"NO"

Lily was shocked, Zinnia never spoke to her like that.

"Lily you don't understand, that is our second chance mate howling for us. He wants us to join him, we need to shift to my form and go run with him.

Lily sat there stunned, a second chance mate, who is he? Why is he here now. Is he one of the guards. Thoughts raced in her mind, the heat wasn't letting her think. Still the howling went on, it was making her excited and scared at the same time.

"Oh, god Zinnia I don't know if I can do this again. I can't go through that

pain again, it still hurts to this day."

"Go to our Mate little one, he will ease our pain and bring us happiness again. We deserve a second chance. Trust me Lily, just one more time."

With that Lily walked to the door and opened it, she took off her clothes and shifted into Zinnia. They ran off into the night following the howls of their mate.

It was strange Zinnia was a brown wolf no more, she was now as white as the falling snow. They found him in the Kings garden, He sat in the middle waiting for them. He didn't move towards them he was being considerate, letting them make the first move.

He was a huge golden wolf, he was magnificent, his scent made them forget what was going on for a minute. He was glowing in the

moonlight, amidst the snow he looked like an angelic creature. Then it hit Lily that the only ones that glowed in the moonlight and were gold were royals.

She gasped, "Zinnia we can't do this, that is the King.!" Zinnia was no longer listening to Lily, she walked up to him and started to rub herself all over his fur, they could feel the sparks shooting up between them, the pain of the heat was almost gone. "Zinnia you hussy, stop that this instant you're embarassing me!" 1

"You said you would trust me Lily, so trust me. This is the Kings wolf his name is, Thorn. He won't harm us, he will protect us and love us."

With that Zinnia ran off into the snowy garden with the golden Thorn giving chase.

Adira sat in her window seat looking into the snowy night, she had her hand over her belly, as she smiled at their pups movment. Soon this little one will be joining us, everything is ready for you little pup. All you have to do is come and join us.

She thought back to what her life was like before and the dreams she had to escape. You know what they say, "Tell God your plans and he will laugh."

She cringed when she thought of how it could of happened, had she not found Duncan on the floor that night.

Artemis spoke up....

"What could of been is no concern of ours, what is now is. We have a wonderful mate, a home, people that love us and soon we will have our pup as well. No more sad thinking, enjoy

the here and the now."

With that Artemis curled back up and went to sleep. leaving Adira with a smile.

"Yes, indeed Artie, I will do just that."

Tust then Duncan came into the room with a huge smile on his face.

"You look like a very satisfied wolf, may I ask what has happened?"

"Well my little wolf, it seems that Ashton and Marnie got some good news, they are compatable. Ashton came to my office just a fe<u>w minutes</u> ago to ask my permission to be joined as Marnies mate."

"You said yes of course," she gave him one of her looks he loved so much.

"Yes, after a little bit. I didn't want to make it too easy for him. Made him

make it too easy for him. Made him sweat for a minute or two then I gave my permission."

"I told him he was welcome in our pack or if they wish to go to his pride that is fine too as long as Marnie is happy. I also informed him that if ever hurts Marnie in anyway, I will show him what a pack of wolves could do to a certain part of a lions antomy." 2

With that he scooped up Adira from her window seat, twirled her in the air and took her to be<u>d.</u>

Chapter 52

###WARNING STRONG SEXUAL CONTENT###

Lily found the experience of being in her wolf exciting, especialy when Zinnia would tease. This was getting painful, their heat was taking over and Lily was going to lose her mind if she didn't get rid of this pain. I

Lily took control and they ran back to the castle, unsure where to go or what to do. What if she encounters other males.

She stopped at the door not sure if she should go in, that was when the golden wolf took lead. She could hear Thorn and Zinnia talking, he was going to lead them to where they needed to go.

"Zinnia we need to get to our room

and get into the ice cold water. I can't take anymore pain."

"Lily dear, ice cold water isn't going to help us anymore, we need to fight fire with fire."

That was when Lily decided that she was just going to have trust Zinnia, let this, whatever this is to happen. In truth she was tired of being alone. The heat and pain were making her crazy.

The Golden wolf led them to the Kings bed chambers, Lily was amazed at all the gold and blue sil<u>k, the</u> velvet curtains, the sheer si<u>ze</u> of the room.

She couldn't take it anymore and Zinnia shifted as another wave of pain hit them hard this time. She lay naked on the Kings floor, screaming in pain. That desperate feeling was coming over her, the one where she is

so far gone she isnt going to care anymore. 2

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The King came up to her in a hurry at her screaming, "Little one you are burning up."

She looked at him in all his glory and holy sweet goddess he was gorgeous. His eyes captivated her, they were

glowing like beautiful saphires. When he picked her up to bring her to the bed, she was moaning in pleasure that the sparks were giving off.

His scent drove her over the edge, he smelled like a pine forrest warmed by the sun and like the fall air it<u>self. She</u> couldn't stop herself when he laid her down on the bed, she reached out for him and pulled him onto her.

She grabbed his golden hair and pulled him down so she could kiss him. Oh, God he tasted soo good...He let out a low growl of pleasure. He

was just as Tost as she was, in the back of her mind she hoped that this didn't lead to a rejection.

He took control, he kissed her taking everything she could give, it was wild and carnal. It was beyond pleasure. He kissed her neck right where he would mark her, he lingered there nibbiling on the skin, driving her insane, she let out a long moan.

He took hold of her breasts, one hand was toying and lightly pinching it, teasing the nipple. While his tongue on the other one, sucking and licking making her heated skin blaze. She arched her back and let out short little moans of pleasure she couldn't catch her breath.

He growled again, this time a louder one of pleasure. She couldn't take anymore, she wasn't above begging.

"Please....pl..eas.e..."

"You're going to have tell me little one, what it is you want. What do you need my soo sweet little one? Perhaps you should call my name, I have three, Alexander Callen Liam Breckenburg

"Pleeaasee!"

"Is this what you want?"

He moved lower until he was lightly teasing her clit with his tongue. Lily arched her body, she had the sheets in both of her fists as he stopped licking and began to suck on her. He chuckled....

"Well now, I can't decide which pair of your delicious lips I like to kiss more." I

He began again he would lick and suck lapping up her juices as if it was

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the finest honey in the world. Lily was burning up inside it was too much he was taking her too high, she never felt like this before, she climaxed three times in a row and still her body wanted more of him.

"Pleassse Inneed yo..u inside..me!"

He wasted no time, he put himself at her entrance, again teasing her as he moved himself in her juices. She screamed in her fustration trying to impale herself on his massive cock, it was huge she wasn't sure he was going to fit. She didn't care she needed him to try. She let out little mewls of pleasure and frustration.

He bent his head and licked the inside of her thigh, then left yet another mark on her. It excited her that he was marking her all over.

Just when she thought she was going to go crazy with the waiting. He in

one violent thrust into her wet heat, he let out a loud roar of pleasure, Lily felt like she was split in two. The pain soon gave over to intense pleasure.

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He didn't move at first, just letting her get adjusted to his size, she wrapped her legs around him as a sign that he should start moving. He gave a chuckle...

"Sooo impatient little one, don't worry I will take you to heaven with me, many times this night."

He b<u>eg</u>an moving slowly at first, then faster as she began screaming Callen, Cal<u>len over</u> and over till she was just screaming Cal, Cal, Cal..as she was moaning and crying out in the song of pleasure bencath him.

"Can you take more?" He asked in a raspy pleasure soaked voice.

"YES" Was all she could manage, she

was beyond forming logical thoughts or words

He reached up and grabbed the head board, causing him to go deeper and deeper. Going almost all the way out and then slamming back down to her core as his thrusts became faster and faster.

He came with a roar as he bit down on her neck marking her a<u>s his. She</u> came so hard that final time, it was so intense that she passed ou<u>t, as she</u> reached heaven with him.

When she came to she was in a huge canopy bed laying on her side. He was awake watching her as he gently stroked her hip and thigh, with his fingers. He was smiling at her. his eyes were still glowing though not as intense.

She turned beat red, why was she being solembarassed it wasn't her

first time after all, not like she didn't know what was what. Still it was intense with her first mate but this was on another level.

Not to mention that she didn't know his real name to start out, usually you talk a little first, before she knew it was was screaming out Callen one of his middle names. Not sure why she chose that name, it just sounded right to her.

"What are you thinking my sweet little one?"

"I was trying to figure out why I chose to call you Callen."

"Are you worried that I wouldn't like it?

"Well yes, you are the king. Oh, God you're the King!!

She buried her head into his shoulder

as he began to chuckle. She is so cute, why hadn't I noticed before now? Doesn't matter I noticed, that is all that matters and I an not letting her go, she is mine. Thorn spoke up....Ours.

She reached up and touched her neck, in disbelief.

"You marked me."

"Yes, that is usually what happens when we claim our mates, you still have to mark me. I will let you decide when you wish to do that. I will take it as your full acceptance of me and all this." He waved his hand in the air indicating all the castle. 2

"Just so you know, in public I am still your highness or my King, in private I want you to call me Cal<u>len, unless</u> you are in your pleasure t<u>hen</u> its Cal. Can't say how wonderfuly aroused, my name on your lips makes me."

Lily could still feel the heat within her, it is now less than before but still there, they were in for a long night or even couple of days. She didn't want to think about all the royal rules and what this was going to mean for her right now. Right now she wanted only one thing, from the look in his eyes he was going to give it to her over and over.

<u>He licked</u> in one stroke from the begining of her butt crack all the way up her back to his mark. She heated right up again.

"Don't worry my sweet little one, we will discuss everything you need to know and more, tonight and the next couple of days we are going to get more aquainted with each other. Remember the first time we met, I know everything about you. Everything."

"Now through our growing link, you will know all of me as well. Because of the intensity of your heat, I couldn't go as slow as I wished."

Late into the morning they were both asleep, exhausted. The King opened his eyes slightly as a maid brought in breakfast, as well as other snacks for the day till dinner. She also dropped off what looked like some of Lily's clothes. He smirked, she won't be needing those for awhile. 2

When the maid left he went and locked the door again, slid back into the bed pulling Lily close to him. As he went off into a blissful sleep. Already he could feel her body heat getting hotter.

Chapter 53

##Warning, some language##

The King was at his desk taking care of some daily reports and expense logs, it was the fourth day since the intial heat and Lily was now exhausted sleeping in his bed, her heat was over. Already the council had been trying to reach him. (1)

He had been ignoring them, let them sit and stew for awhile. He would talk to them in his time, not their's. Maybe it is time he updates the council. Time for some of those old horses to be put to pasture. Let some new blood take <u>over</u>.

Ones that have fresh idea's and more open minds, then the one's now sitting. Yes, he was going to start <u>the petitions</u>, see who applies.

He <u>heard</u> a small sigh coming from their bed, she was dreaming. He was a little ashamed, when he saw that he left almost every inch of her coverd in marks. Yet at the same time he was proud of it. No one will question what they did in here or that she is his.

She let out a wimper as if in pain, he went and sat on the side of the bed next to her. Her face was scrunched up as if she was in pain as well. She is having a nightmare. He had <u>hoped</u> that it wouldn't happen, her abuse though left deep scars.

He put one hand on her <u>forehe</u>ad and held her hand with his other. He entered her nightmare, it was when her <u>mat</u>e had died and she was still in the room with

his body. She was tied to a chair, her mouth was gagged and tears were running down <u>her fa</u>ce. 1)

Her eyes were empty, unseeing of the corpse before her. She was cold to the touch. The door opened and there was that piece of shit, laughing at it all. He wished he could rip him to shreads, though he can touch the dreamer, he can not do anything else. His heart bled for her, he knew what she was feeling. He went through the loss of his mate.

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This was different, his mate died from a cancer that her wolf couldn't fight anymore. This was brutal, his face was destroyed, his dignity gone. She was forced to watch as he took his last breath, then forced to sit with the body for days as it started to rot.

It was her own personal hell. He had to wake her and comfort her. Thorn was going nuts with not being able to do anything. He wanted her out of there, now.

He let go of her hand and wrapped himself around her, gently he started to wake her. She opened her eyes but she was still not with him.

"Come back to me my little Lily flower, there is nothing left for you there anymore. He rubbed her back as he held her, whispering into her ear. You are mine now, let that pain go, he would not want you to linger there." 2

She let out a gasp as she c<u>ame back to her senses</u>.

He held her closer to him, so she could breath in his scent and know <u>she was safe</u>. She held to him tightly as she started to cry out her pain. He never let go, just kept rubbing her back. Saying soothing words to her as she cried out her pain.

Marco was informed from the front

gate, that they had a visitor coming. All they said was that it was a she and it was for the WereLions. Leaving <u>him</u> clueless, he did manage to find August and have him greet their guest with him.

As a black suv pulled up the driver stepped out and went to the back door. The first thing that Marco noticed was the red high heels. The next thing he thought was that something wasn't setting right in his gut about this.

She came out all in red, her <u>light</u> blond hair in a fancy up do, blue eyes and red lipstick. If truth we<u>re told if</u> she was trying to enhance her beauty with the red lipstick she fa<u>iled</u>, all he could focus on was her very red lips.

When she approached them, August hadia scowlion his face and crossed

his arms when she reached out to greet him. He growled ..." Hello, Felicia."

Mar<u>co th</u>is is Felicia Mathews, she is a member of our pride. Felicia this is Marco he is the Beta of this pack, second only to the Alpha.

She turned her nose in the air at Marco with a look of how dare you be unimpressed with my presence.

"Well I never have been so insulted in all my life, August. I should of at least been greeted by this whatever you call it. Alpha I mean to be too busy to greet a guest."

"I am sorry you are so o<u>ffended</u> Ma'am, I was not informed of y<u>our</u> importance. Even still it i<u>s custom in</u> packs that the Beta will greet anyone of lower rank first, before the Alpha."

She looked at Marco as if he had just punched her in the face.

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"I am sure that August here can find you somewhere you can go to do whatever it is you came to do, unfortunately if you have to stay overnight, You will have to stay at the inn in town. Now, if you will excuse me, I have other more important business to attend. He gave a curt bow and left."

August had all he could to not laugh, <u>as he l</u>ooked at the pride whore before him, wondering what she was up to now. Probably trying to get into either Archies or Ash's pants again. August hoped that he wouldn't have to deal with her again, once was enough.

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He started to walk across the pack grounds to the guest cabin, where Arch was but she didn't follow. When he turned to see what the matter <u>was</u>, she was just standing there <u>in s</u>hock.

"What is your problem now <u>Flea?"</u> August said with a sigh. 2)

"I've told you several times not to call me that!!!! For your information, I am not going to go tramping around in the woods in these <u>he</u>els!"

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"You are not going to be going into the woods, we follow this path and it goes right to the cabin, that is next to the woods."

"I can't, you are just going to have to carry me."

August laughed.

"Flea, if I were to carry you into the woods, it would be because I will be

looking for the next cliff to drop you off of. Now I suggest that if you want to see Archer, then you better follow me, otherwise I will call back the Beta and he can tell you where you can

go."

He walked off not looking back. Felicia followed after taking off her heels. August could tell she was pissed off at what he said. He just didn't care, she was a greedy, snobby and pride whore. D

She had been trying to sink her claws into Archer for years and he wanted nothing to do with her. So she tried Ashton when he wouldn't even look at her she went to him. He di<u>dn't</u> want her either, she even tried to accuse Archer of getting her pregnant.

Kinda hard to get pregnant when you don't bump fuzzies first. Still, she was

the daughter of one of the Prides Elder founding father, he was rich so she always seemed to have resources. He wondered what her plan was now.

After Ashton talked to August about the unexpected gift, he wasn't <u>happy</u>. He really didn't like Flea. She hated that nick name but it was the best discription of her that could be made in one word.

When she hopped on you, she would

suck your body dry. All she wants from you is to have power to go with her money. She is mean and nas<u>ty.</u> Thinks the world owe's her everything. Heaven above only knows how many she has slept with. She should of been born a vampire.

He was going to go warn Marnie, before she should happen to meet the bitch. Hope the Flea doesn't do anything stupid to provoke the wolves. Well ok he wouldn't be heart broken if she got her ass handed to her.

Still he didn't want anything to harm the relationship that Archer had built here either. The Alpha is a kind and fair person but he expects respect for all his pack members no matter rank and an good adherence to the rules.

He has been in other wolf packs before, this one though has a really good feel to it, they work together for the good of all. There are rules that have to be followed, they are fair and basically common sense. No matter if you're Alpha or Omega you have responsibilities to your pack, everyone works.

Everyone is respected and protected, is this pack perfect? No, it isn't, nothing is though is it. Ash thought he wouldn't mind living here in this pack. He was going to take Marnie home with him, so she could meet the folks and his friends.

He really loved his home but <u>he</u> wanted to live here with her though, it jus<u>t</u> felt right. First things first though, got to tell Marnie about their guest.

Chapter 54

The King and Lily were having what they assigned as the day of talking, asking questions and getting to know each other on a more logical and practical understanding level.

It was their last day of being away from the world, tomorrow they would have to face the council and all the others about their relationship. Not that either one gave a damn what others thought.

Sometimes fate deals her hand and that is that, if you're smart you will jump on the ride. Experience everything life will give you, if that means you have to experience bad so be it.

If you go through life pushing all the people away because you don't want

to experience the pain of losing them, then you will never know the joy of having them either.

He looked at Lily as she sat in one of the chairs in front of the fire <u>place</u>. She looked like she was miles away. He went and sat down in the opposite chair.

"P<u>enny</u> for your thoughts little flower, what has taken you so far fro<u>m me?"</u>

"I was just thinking of the past, not the abuse. I was just wondering if Adira will ever forgive me."

"Little flower if you don't ask, you will never have an answer to your question."

"I just keep thinking about her stup<u>id</u> stuffed bear.

"Stuffed bear?"

"Yeah, she made a bear from all the stuffed animals I would tear apart in a fit of anger. I wonder if she still has

it?

"You will have to ask her Lily, once all the hubbub of all this die's down we will go and pay a visit on Duncan and Adira, it's time that you both had a sit down and get it all out."

She let out a sigh..

"Back to our talk, now I know what happened to your first son, I t<u>hought</u> that you had two sons?"

His face went from concern for her to a darker shade of sadness. Almost one of intense pain. She leaned forward and put her hand over his.

"It's ok if you don't want to talk about it, it's very clearly causing you great pain."

"No, it's ok. With you I will have no shadows, between us will only be truth and love. The last son never saw his first birthday."?

"His name was Mathew he was like sunshine, never cried always the giggling baby. We were not sure what happend, but he died in his sleep and they said it was SIDS but it never set well with me." E

"I think that was also the reason my first mate died."

"Yes, she died because she lost the battle with her cancer but I think Matt's death helped. My first wife was not wolf, she was human."

"It wasn't advertised out into the world, because the council thought it would make me look weak. I was a fool for agreeing with them. I was young and stupid." "After my first mate died, myself and Thorn, we kinda lost our will to go on. The council covered it up and ran all the day to day activities. I shou<u>ld</u> of been there for my second son."

"Jason is a lot like Adira's husband Duncan, Adam hated him with a passion. It was to the point that I had to appoint a couple of guards for Jason. He hated that and was angry for a bit with me. I just didn't know what to do with my eldest son." (15)

"I know parents are not supposed to have favorites, I know that Adam was my first mates favorite. He was always a little off and the other children didn't want to be around him so my mate spoiled him."

"I found out after my sons death a whole lot of things that were not told to me before and it breaks my heart that a son of mine would do those

things, those poor children he tortured, he was insane."

"About two weeks before the crap hit the fan so to speak, Jason found his mate, Karen. He was sick and tired of the court life, he never liked it to begin with and the fear that his brother would do something to her or their children. He decided that they were going to go back to my original pack and have a family away from all this." (2

"He even changed his last name, I don't hear from him much. Only that they are expecting their first pup its a girl. After Adam died I asked Jason if he would be willing to come back and take my place someday, he said no. He was happy with they way things were and would not change it for the world."

"That is why I wanted Duncan and

Adira's first born to be my heir but in truth I don't think they want anything to do with the throne. They are there for me in the compacity of friendship only."

"Callen, you know I can't have children. I have been messed up for too long."

"My little flower, didn't you notice that your wolf Zinnia had turned all white?"

"Yes, I noticed but I didn't know what it meant and when I ask Zinnia she just giggles and tells me that I will see soon enough. She has been nothing but smug and mysterious lately, it's amost impossible to get a straight answer out of her."

"I love reading old texts of history and events, I believe my little f<u>lower</u> that when your Zinnia turned all white, it was a sign from the goddess

that you were forgiven. I do believe that it means you are whole and healthy."

"Further more, I believe that at least acording to Thorn, that we have already made our first pup."

Lily looked at Callen in shock as a giddiness filled her heart, she jumped from her chair into Callen's lap and started kissing him all over his face and neck. She couldn't stop herself, when she reached that spot where his neck and shoulder met, she bit down hard marking him. D

He let out a growl of pleasure and happiness, finaly he was mated for all and good. Things are going to change now for the good he hoped.

Archer was enjoying the quiet of his cabin. It was a welcome change from

the rat race, he was usually having to deal with. Life in a Pack is a lot different than in a Pride, at least his pride anyway.

That was when he heard a shrill voice he was hoping to never hear again. Felicia! He went from almost at peace with the world to chaotic frustration. He wished his parents weren't such good friends with Felicia's parents. They had been trying to get one of their son's to mate with her for a long time now. D

It wouldn't be that hard, she is rather pretty. That was until she op<u>ened her</u> mouth. She was also under the impression that sex will get her anything she wants. She is me<u>an</u> spirited and haughty in h<u>er nature</u>, she thinks she is better t<u>han</u> everyone.

She believes that her presence is a

blessing for all to be thankful f<u>or. She</u> is only tolerated because of her parents money and status.

He looked out the window at the shrew walking up the path bitching all the way, he did get some satisfaction seeing her bare foot in the snow.

He did wonder whose pants is she trying to get into now. She was determined that one of them had to mate with her. She not only wanted money she wanted power over others as well.

Something she had better get into head, is that it's never going to happen. Everyone looks at her as one of the prides sluts and that is all she was ever going to be if Archer has his way.

He just hoped that she didn't try her high and mighty crap with the pack

members, the rules are a little different in this pack. She will be expected to at the very least be respectful of everyone. No acting like a queen here.

If she does end up causing trouble, perhaps he will let Duncan handle her punishment. That way she doesn't get off easy because of dear old dad's money.

He sat down at his desk, putting her in her place right from the start. It's time miss high and mighty learns some humility. He should of dealt with this a lot sooner, perhaps being here will be an added bonus to him, she can't just run off to daddy to fix her mistakes.

One thing is for certain, she isn't sleeping under this roof, she can either stay in a guest cabin or get a hotel room.

Still something was bugging him about all this, she isn't the type to go traveling unless it's a million dollar a night room. So why is she <u>here</u> now?..

Felicia came into the room in a huff, she didn't look happy that she had to walk 50 feet.

"Well, Felicia to what do we owe the honor of your presence once again. Truly you're going to spoil us by gracing us with your presence so much." (0

As Felicia looked at Archer she could tell he wasn't happy to see her. Perhaps she had over played her hand this time. Then again he always looked at her like that.

In truth she had given up on Archer after a while, he lived like a monk and was not interested in her. He always

distance. Even her daddy got off her back about him and told her to focus on the other two.

August played with her bu<u>t never gave her any inkling that he would go further</u> or that she could manipulate him to do as she wished.

Ashton was the shy one she thought, he was always watching her. He was the one she wanted this time, and this time she would get what she and her daddy wanted. Even if she had to travel to the middle of god know's where, having to be around all these

low life mangy mutts to do it. 12

Chapter 55

###Warning, language.###

Marnie wasn't particularly happy with what Ash told her about this new female. She decided if push came to shove she was going to do what ever it takes for this chick to get the message. She doesn't have time for this drama queen crap, Adira is close to her time and she wanted to do all the things auntie's do. She couldn't wait for the little pup to be born.

She was spending time with Adira and Ash. That is all if this trashy girl wants to have a go, she can wait in line. She was on her way to Adira's room when she heard the loudest high pitched annoying voice. She stopped on the landing of the

stairs, and waited to see where it was coming from

This time the voice was accompanied by a loud bang, if this gets any louder, it might upset Adira. If it up<u>sets A</u>dira it is really going to upset Mr. Expecting Dad the Alpha. <u>Sighing to herself she went down to take care of the problem</u>.

When she got into the kitchen she was suprised to notice that it was trashed, the poor cook was in the corner crying her eyes out.

Marnie was instantly pissed, no one messes with the cook or the kitchen.

"In a loud comanding voice." 2)

"WHO THE HELL DID THIS?"

That was when Marnie noticed that there was another woman in the kitchen, she was holding a rolling pin

like a weapon. She looked nuts.

"Who the hell are you and what the hell are you doing in here?"

The woman had a smirk on her face, putting her nose to the air sniffing it like she smelled something rotten. She then threw the rolling pin at the cooks head.

Unfortunately, for this unknown bitch, she didn't manage to dodge Marnie's fist as well as the cook dodged the rolling pin. Marnie landed her right on her ass, a look of total rage came over the womans face, she was kinda pretty before but now she was positively ugly. (

The change stunned Marnie for a second, she couldn't resist giving insult though.

"Wow, not only are you a bitch, you also fell out of the ugly tree and hit

every branch on your way down. Damn girl, you are ugly!!!"

Felicia was pissed, this low life not only touched her but hit her in the face. Now she was insulting her, how dare she call her ugly. She was going to die for this, how dare she, come in here and demand to know who she is.... She was about to find out. 2)

Marnie went over to check on the cook," Are you ok? Did she hit you with this rolling pin before I came

in?"

The cook was so upset that all she could do was nod her head yes. Before Marnie could stand up again she was attacked from the back by the lioness. Marnie felt blood running down her back and a burning pain. 2

Marnie was pissed, so was her wolf Myan. They shifted instan<u>tly into their Lycan</u> form. They turned on the

big cat and tossed her against the wall with a very loud roar. The lion landed with a thud then slid down the wall.

Ashton was in the Alpha's office, discussing housing options for him and Marnie after they were married. W<u>hen he</u> felt a burning pain going down his back. He stood up but couldn't see anything, that was when he realized it was Marnie.

Ashton and Duncan were hitting the stairs at a run when they heard a <u>very</u> loud angry roar. Duncan was trying to mind link his sister but all he got back for a response was, red.

Duncan grabbed Ash to slow him

down..

"Listen Ash, Marnie has changed into her Lycan form, it makes her unperdictable. Marnie and Myan are really good together and the Lycan

form is their speciality. When you go in don't make any aggressive moves." (5

"Because you are Marnies mate, you will be in charge of calming her down and getting her out of there. Take her to your room and wait there."

They went into the kitchen slowly, what they saw was not what they were expecting, the place looked like a war zone.

There was flour and food everywhere mixed with blood, the cook was

sitting in the corner. She pointed a shaking hand at the back door which was standing wide open.

They ran outside, there in the front yard were two figures fighting. Duncan reconized Marnie in her Lycan form right away, the Lioness he had no idea who she was.

Archer was out there standing between Marnie and the pretty beaten up Lioness, the snow was covered in blood spatters it was a macabre sight to behold.

Marnie crouched down into an attack postion, Duncan yelled to Archer not to make a single move. He turned to his sister, taking off his clothes he changed into his lycan form and stood infront of Archer.

What they didn't understand as shifters of a different kind was that Marnie in her own right was also a Luna. If there was something done to her or her pack members, if she will see as a threat, she will have the right for blood. (2)

Duncan in his Lycan form had to mind link Marnie and Myan with his commanding Alpha voice to get her to back down.

Marnie shifted into her complete wolf form and bolted for the woods. Ash ran after her.

Duncan also changing back, put on a pair of jogging pants that Marco gave him, asked Archer what the hell was going on

"I have no idea, I got here just in time to stop your sister from landing the killing blow."

Archer kneeled down next to the Lioness, she was unconcious but other than a broken wrist and bruises she was going to be fine in a day or two.

Archer ordered her to change back, she did and awoke screaming. He picked her up.

"Want to tell me what was going on?"

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"I didn't do anything, she came out of no where and started to attack me. I was just defending myself."

Archer smirked.

"Are you sure that is how thing<u>s went</u> down? You do know they have security cameras everywhere right?"

She became shrill, "WHY DON'T YOU EVER BELIEVE ME!!!"

"I don't ever believe you, Felicia because you have never given me a reason to."

With that Archer carried her to the pack hospital. So they could help this stupid bitch heal faster. Thinking to himself, maybe he should just find a really big snow bank and toss her in.

Archer shifted into his Lion so he could keep up with Marnie's wolf Myan, she was really fast. She ran until she came across a river, she jumped in and swam to the little island that the river went around. 15

He swam across too, shifting upon coming out of the water. He could see that she was back in her human form. She was wearing a robe, she must of stashed it here at one time of another. 2

When he got closer he noticed that there was blood soaking the back of the robe. He ran the rest of the way to her. He grabbed her by her shoulders and stood her up, so he could take off the robe to see what damage was done.

What he saw pissed him off, that whore is going to get a piece of my mind and I am going to see that the

punishment sticks this time. NO daddy buying her way out or friends doing the punishment for her.

There were four deep lacerations, they went from Marnies shoulder all the way down to just above her hips. He could see where her wolf was trying to heal her, the thing about werelion claws, is that they have not only a type of poison to sub<u>due their</u> prey, they also have type of <u>nas</u>ty fast acting bacteria.

He went to the river and soaked the robe in the cold water and put it back on her, then he picked her up gently. He was tall enough to wade back, he carried her all the way to the pack hospital.

When he walked in he heard Felicia screaming her fool head off, he was met by a nurse who took one look and showed them to a private room. The

nurse threw Ash a pair of jogging pants,

When he explained about why the wound was not healing they went into action. Duncan came running into the room wanting to know w<u>hat</u> was going on. That got both Ash and Duncan pushed to the hall, to wait.

Ash was pissed, he knew that in order for that poison to be present meant that it was a deliberate act. Felicia could not claim self defense, not only was it a sucker punch move claws in the back, the poision has to be conciously delivered. Ash told Duncan everything, he also suggested that Felicia be punished according to pack rules. Since they are on pack grounds, 2

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Ashton smiled a wicked smile, he already knew what his brother was going to say. 2