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Derek Comes to Visit His Mom

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Derek's POV

I swear Piper is an i***t. I also swear that Piper is deliberately trying to make me look bad now. The whole dining room was watching that show, and it really pisses me off that they would try to embarrass Gabi like that when she is here in an official capacity. I am sure I am going to hear about this tomorrow when my uncle Heath gets here. He is going to want to know why? My only excuse is that my soon-to-be Luna is a moron who can't think for herself. She can't, I just saw it. She was so jealous that I might have slept with Gabi, and I am sure they implied that too, to realize that the two vipers in her ears are the ones who have slept with me.

Gabi is going to have a hard time here, and I guess I am just going to have to tell her if she gets challenged by someone here. Especially, if they will not stand down, to just go ahead and kick their ass. I am quite sure they will deserve it and I already know that tomorrow will be a hard day for her. They will be out there training my people, and someone is going to talk some s**t. I already know that it will probably be either Heather, Jack, or both of them. I don't think Piper will cause any more problems as I went with her back to the dining room and spoke to her. I told her, that nothing has ever happened between me and Gabi. I didn't qualify it with "and nothing ever will" because if I can get lucky, something WILL be happening between us. I want to talk her into staying here, rejecting Tanner, and being the love of my life and I will be using every single quiver in my arsenal available to me.

I finished dinner with Piper and went to my office to finish my paperwork for the day. A few weeks ago, dad started me doing it so I would know what all was going on, and so far, it has been pretty smooth. I only occasionally have questions and he will help me, but I have been handling the day-to-day for the last two weeks now. I locked up my office and I headed to our room and check on her. She is undressing to go take her bubble bath and the tub is overflowing with bubbles. She will get in and relax, and the bubbles will get all over the floor, but she is predictable, and she is just getting in now, so she won't be out of the tub for an hour. I looked at my watch and tell her I am going to go check on the patrols really quick and be back when she gets out. She tells me to be careful and I leave to head to the hospital.

I get to mom's room and the light is low and i know Gabi is probably sleeping as the room is dim. I enter the room and wait for my eyes to adjust to the low light, and I see a sleeping form on the couch and, head over to them. I am right next to the couch when I hear, "I wouldn't wake him up if I were you" coming from the chair next to mom's bed. I look over and I see Gabi looking at me with a smile on her face, I look back at the couch and see Tanner now turned and looking at me with anger in his eyes.

"I was just going to talk to you, I didn't realize that Tanner was going to be here," I said to them.

"What did you want to talk about?" Gabi asked me and my mind froze. What the hell am I going to say now? "Gabi, I want you back". "Would you consider sleeping with me on a regular basis?" "Would you come back to me?" "Would you live with me in a house with just the two of us and our beautiful children?" "Would you consider coming back to me,

because I love you and cannot live without you?" "Piper would still be the Luna, but you would be the love of my life". "Why did you allow this piece of s**t to mark and mate you?" That last one would have really gotten to get my ass kicked.

"Um, I can't remember right now Gabi, I will come back later, or I will just mention it to you on the training field when I remember what it was," I told her.

I walked up to the bed and leaned over and told mom, "I love you, don't leave us, I will be needing help running the pack, and I can't trust dad". I give her a kiss on her head and then squeeze her hand. I feel like she squeezed my hand back and I look at her hand and I spoke to her again, I asked her to squeeze my hand again, but she didn't do it again and I was disappointed.

I see Gabi watching me carefully, and I told her that I felt like mom squeezed my hand and she got up from the chair to come over to the other side of the bed and take mom's other hand. She holds it for a little while, and then shakes her head at me, as she didn't feel it, but I know what I felt. Even with all my flaws, and believe me, I see them. My mom has always been a constant in my life, she loves me despite myself sometimes, and I love her and don't want to lose her. I know I felt it, and I have hope that she will be OK. The door opens and my father walks in and seems surprised that Gabi and I are both in here.

"I was just coming to check on my wife, how is she doing Derek?" dad asks me, and he seems kind of nervous. I hear the heart rate on mom's machine go up with hearing his voice and both Gabi and I are now looking at him. He keeps both his arms down and turns to leave when Gabi asks, "What is your hurry Alpha Monty? You can stay and visit, we won't bother you".

"I was just going to talk to her alone Gabi, I will come back in later on tonight and talk to her" dad said, and I frowned at him, he really was acting weird.

"You can stay Alpha Monty, I will be here with her all night, so whether it is now, or later on, I will be in here with her regardless," Gabi tells him, and he stiffens up and turns to her.

"Since when are you in charge of this pack little girl?" my dad asks and heads to Gabi's side of the bed. Dad is focused on her and didn't see Tanner laying on the couch.

"I am not in charge of the pack, and I never said I was. I am just running Security for Luna Liz until I get relieved" Gabi tells him and doesn't step back when he stops about a foot in front of her. Dad doesn't train anymore, but he is still in impressive shape and at 6'2" he is five inches taller than her, but she keeps looking him in the eye and doesn't back away.

"Why? What is the issue?" my dad asked her.

"The issue is Luna Liz needs to be protected until she wakes up, and I will be doing that for her. Do you have a problem with me watching over your wife, Alpha Monty?" Gabi spits Alpha out like it was a bad word and she didn't want to give him any respect and he heard it in her voice. Dad took another step forward and they were now toe-to-toe with each other, and I was starting to get concerned. Dad is not a fan of Gabi and hasn't been since she turned 10.1 know she is a trainer now, but he used to allow her to be tormented and really hurt bad, and I can't allow him to hurt her again.

"And you got assigned this duty?" my dad asks.

"She protected me, and now it is my turn to protect her," Gabi told him and I almost

flinched as I remembered what my mom protected her from, Jack and me. I hate being lumped in with that i**t, but I was an i**t too, and I hate that Gabi had to be taken away from here for her to be able to heal.

“And you are going to protect her all night?” my dad asked her.

“All night,” Gabi told him and nodded when she said it, and she isn’t blinking. She is not scared of him, and I don’t know how she is standing up to him. He scares me sometimes, but he used to hit me when I was a child growing up, so I would be tough like he wanted me to be. I know he will hurt people at will, and I cannot allow him to hurt Gabi.

I go to speak, and Gabi holds her arm out to me to tell me to wait. I just wanted to break the tension in the room and just ask dad to leave with me, but Gabi is staring him down, it is like she knows something, and she is fearless right now. She looks beautiful as she stands there with no fear on her face at all and looking like she is about to take my dad out, permanently. I do not know how she will do it, because he has five inches and over a 100 pounds on her. But if I had to bet, I would put my money on her.

My dad steps back and slides his hands into his pockets and said, “I look forward to seeing the training being conducted in the next few weeks. I would love to see you in action Gabi” and then turns and walks out of the room. The words were innocent, but the way he said them like he would like to see her in another kind of action hung in the room, and my stomach turned hearing it. I look over at Tanner and he was standing now, I don’t know when he got up as I was watching my dad that closely, and he came to Gabi and hugged her and then sniffed her neck. I imagine my dad was closer to getting attacked than he realized because Tanner had semi-phased and his hands were in some very sharp claws, and he was ready to tear my dad apart from the look of it. I know he heard the same thing I did, and I felt like Gabi needed to be apologized to as I felt unclean after that interaction.

“I am very sorry for what my father said to you. He was wrong to say that, and he made it sound dirty and I will speak to him about it” I said and turned to exit the room, closing the door behind me, and heading to catch up with my dad.

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Monty gets Foiled

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Monty's POV

That little girl has got some f*****g nerve. She is going to come into my pack and talk s**t to me? Who the hell does she think that she is? I am fuming because I needed to get another dose into Liz's IV to keep her wolf down longer. I had 5mL of wolfbane in my syringe and it was ready to go, and I walk in there with it in my hand when I go into the room, and it was like a f*****g party in there. Liz is out, in a coma, and yet she has visitors all over her room. That Gabi has grown up and looks even better than she did when she turned 18 back in March.

I will say that I hadn't noticed how nice she looked lately, as I hadn't noticed her until Liz brought her to me after Jack attempted to assault her. I could see why he would want her, she has blossomed into a beautiful young woman, and I wouldn't mind sleeping with her myself, she looks just like her mother, but with her father's hair and eye color.

Liz hasn't slept with me since she felt me sleeping with my Omega mate when Derek was still a baby. She was pissed that I had my mate but still needed her. Everyone knows that Omegas can't run a pack, they need someone stronger to tell them what to do and when to do it. Plus, I had to kill my Omega mate because after she took Gabi from Crimson Shadow, she refused to give the baby to me until I made her Luna. I did promise to make her Luna, but anyone with a brain would have known that I wouldn't do that. If I had been willing to do that, why would I have to go and kill off Liz's warrior mate to get her? She was a quality Luna, intelligent, loving, and kind. She cared about this pack, and she has a lot of money. Her parents have even more money. I had made some bad investments that lost me money, and I also funneled money out of the pack account for myself, because as soon as Derek takes over, that will be his problem.

Liz told me that she wouldn't bail me out again, but I know that she would bail Derek out of the bind I put him in. I have already set it up a reoccurring withdrawal from the pack account, so it will help keep me funded for the next little bit. He hasn't even seen it yet to realize that it is a problem. I didn't really train him, and it will be a while before he even notices it as being a problem, if he ever does notice it. Because it will take an experienced Alpha to see the problem, and Derek won't allow another Alpha to check it, I can guarantee that Piper won't be the one to find it.

I guess I will have to come back tomorrow after Justin gets here. I watched over Liz earlier today for Justin to go grab some food for lunch. While I was there, I loaded up a total of 5mL of Wolfsbane into the top of her IV bag, so it wouldn't spring a leak and let them know the bag had been tampered with. I had a few more that I had bought so I could keep her wolf suppressed and prevent her from healing. I was going to let it go a couple of days and then sneak in here after the Luna ceremony as we would now have another Luna in place, and Derek should get all of Liz's money as her dependent. I know she is not going to leave me any, we have hated each other for years. I know why her heart rate increased when she heard

me, she knew what I was there for and got scared. But Gabi can't be with her forever. As a matter of fact, I will be sure to speak to Jack about Gabi's return. I heard he was pissed when his mate came and rejected him today, so he probably won't mind giving Gabi some much-needed payback for that, and he can just let it escalate from there. He needs to get it done quickly, as I know Derek has still got a soft spot for her, and he will be furious when he finds out, but it will be too late by then. I am being relieved at the end of this week, so that will fall on Derek's shoulders as well if Wyatt and Everly Wilson

have a problem with it. From what I heard she refused to speak with them when Heath and Von took her there to be introduced. That girl is a firecracker and I bet she is one in bed as well. I am heading back to the packhouse and trying to figure out who I will pick to grace my bed tonight as Gabi has got me worked up in the very worst way. When I heard my son calling after me and running to catch up. I stop walking and wait for him until he gets near, and then he falls into step with me, as we continue on to the packhouse.

"What did you need me for Derek? I asked him.

"Dad, you need to be more careful in how you speak to Gabi. What you said in there sounded s****| to me and to her mate" Derek tells me.

I am surprised, I didn't know that she was mated, I thought Derek was her mate, and I knew she accepted his rejection, but this information is new to me, and maybe I will not speak to Jack, because I don't want it getting back to involve me in anything that happens.

"When did she meet her mate son? The last I heard she had come here and accepted your rejection,

but I didn't know she found a second chance mate. Who is he?" I asked Derek.

"Tanner Wright, from the Blood Rose pack. She met him the next weekend at her sister's birthday party. Dad, he was in the room with us, laying on the couch at first, he let her handle it until your comment. That was when he got up and half phased. I apologized to them both, but you have got to watch what you say, or we could be in a war, and we are already fighting the rogues anyway. There would be no way we could win against them and Blood Rose, and Ever Green would get in it too. Because uncle Heath thinks of Gabi as his & aunt Von's child. They are already upset with mom being hurt, so let's be nice when Heath comes to visit and check on mom tomorrow, OK, dad?" Derek said to me.

I nod as I think. Heath is coming tomorrow to check on Liz, I need to make sure that Liz doesn't wake up anymore. I have 5 more of these prefilled 5mL needles. I will make sure I let Justin go get his breakfast in the morning, so I can put two of them in the next IV. I am not staying for very long at all in her room, and I am her husband, no one will suspect me hurting her. I will see about pinning it on Gabi too, the little smart ass deserves it. I will see about using gloves to inject wolfsbane, and leave the needle behind so Gabi, or whoever is there, can pick them up, and then their fingerprints will be on the syringe.

"I am sorry it sounded like that son, I will indeed be more careful with my words and how they could be perceived. I know that Gabi is a good girl, and never caused any trouble in the pack. I will be sure to

apologize to her as well tomorrow on the training fields. I do want to see all of the trainers in action, and

maybe even I can learn some new techniques as well" I told Derek, but I am still just focused on Gabi. I

guess I will see if that Melanie girl that works in the kitchen is available for me for tonight. I can give her a pass on having to get up early to make breakfast, as she will still be in my room with me.

I mindlinked Melanie, and she finally agrees to come to my room on the Alpha floor, I could tell she didn't really want to come. I am still in great physical shape, and still attractive. I realize that she is 18, but she approached me the first time, and now she seems to be dragging her feet about it. I mindlinked Helen,

the new lady in charge of the kitchen, that Melanie will not be able to help her with breakfast. She can help with lunch instead when she comes down from my room. I will let Melanie know when she goes to leave my room. Melanie has dark hair and blue eyes like Gabi, and I am already pretty much ready to go, so this should be easy as far as I am concerned.

I went up to the Alpha floor with Derek and we separate at our rooms. I see Melanie is already there at my door and doesn't look enthusiastic about being here, but she will get into the groove of it. I let her in and lock the door and motion towards my bathroom. We

don't pay Omegas here at the pack, and they have to work here for what they need. Their soap is basic and not great, it gets you clean but there is not a nice scent to it, so I want her to wash with me so she will smell good, with my soaps, and products. I start the shower and then I start to strip down, she knows the deal and takes her clothes off too. I believe that she wanted Derek, but he has been off his game since Gabi rejected him. He is weak, like his mother, he should be able to push past this, but he is still pouting. Women are replaceable, he needs to stop being childish and realize that they are only good for one thing.

I pull her into the shower with me and in less than a minute she is happy again and glad to be here. She traces my 6 pack with her fingertip, and I close my eyes and imagine it is Gabi. I only had my mate take Gabi to punish Wyatt and Everly, but you know, I could go ahead and kill Tanner, and then take Gabi when I leave this pack. She would be heartbroken just like Liz was when she lost her mate, and unable to think straight, so she will be fresh for the picking. I will have Liz gone in the next few days anyway, or I will just double my next order and up her dosage too until she dies. Gabi is beautiful just like her mom was and I think that she will be just beautiful on my arm. I will be able to give all my time to her, and I can make her happy. She will be sad at first losing Tanner, but I guess I can have another child with her, if it would make her happy, to be with me. Melanie is pulling my head down to kiss her, and I obliged and picked her up in my arms. I rest her on one arm while I check her to see if she is ready for me, she is, and I let her slide down, inch by inch on my d**k and she gives a loud moan. She leans back in my arms onto the glass walk of my shower and I lean forward and give one of her n****s a hard tug into my mouth before I start a punishing pace with her. Melanie grabs my shoulders as she pulls herself up and I braced her against the wall to better secure her. I pull her head to mine with my hand wrapped around the back of her neck and nip her bottom lip for entrance which she grants and wraps her arms around my neck. Melanie is moving her hips in a circle as I plunge into her and I can feel it when she clenches on my d**k and she comes loudly, scratching my shoulders as she does. I give a few more thrusts and I come too, calling out my pleasure as well.

I slowly lower her and then help to clean her, as we will be moving this party to my room. I wash her

all over and she enjoys me touching her, I especially like cleaning the intimate areas, and I am once again ready to go. I enjoy Melanie and she is a young, fresh, and excitable woman, and in good shape. Not as good a shape as Gabi, but Melanie does look good in my bed with her hair splayed all around her. I move in to start round two and Melanie giggles and spreads her legs for me as I crawl up her body. Forget Liz, I will deal with her in the morning.

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Alpha Wells Black

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Gabi's POV

Alpha Monty is going to be a problem. As I know he had something in his hand when he got here, but he put it in his pocket. After Tanner calmed down and got back on the couch to sleep, I mindlinked Heath to tell him what happened and what was said. I got

really creeped out at what Alpha Monty implied and I am glad I just grabbed an apple to eat for dinner because if it was anything heavier, I would have probably thrown up. I see where Derek got ALL of his bad traits from with that conversation. I never really got around Alpha Monty growing up, my parents always shielded me, so I really owed them a lot, because there is something off about him and now that I know what he is capable of, I do not trust him at all. He is a killer and a kidnapper, and even if he didn't take me himself, he sent his mate to take me, and he is just as bad, or worse than she was. Heath told me that he and Alpha Black would be here early in the morning at 5 am, because he would not allow Alpha Monty to Alpha command Justin to leave the room for him to do Goddess knows what to Liz. I heard her heart rate spike when he spoke, and she was scared. What Alpha Monty didn't know is that I wasn't scared of him, he was really close to getting shot a little while ago, I had already flipped open my snap on my holster and was about to knock the safety off when he backed down. Tanner was furious as Alpha Monty was inappropriate with what he said, I honestly don't think that Alpha Monty had seen Tanner on the couch and even Derek appeared to be really upset by what his dad had said to me.

I will be glad to see the show when Liz leaves with Alpha Black and Heath tomorrow super early. Heath also said that two members of the werewolf council were coming to Red River with them, as they were picking up Alpha Monty in the morning as well. That I cannot miss. He will be going to stay in the cells at the Ever Green pack until Luna Liz is well enough to testify against him. I was really glad that I was going to be present for this, and would have a front-row seat because whatever is going to happen to him, he earned every bit of it. Heath told me to get some sleep when it was my turn and that he would mindlink me when they get here in the morning.

I saw Derek get excited when he said he felt his mom move her hand, but I didn't feel her move. / hope whatever it was that Alpha Monty had given her can be corrected in her system. I don't want her to be coma-like this for long, it was scary seeing her lying there and nothing can be done about it. I know she will be taken care of at Ever Green. I also know if Alpha Monty did this to her, that he is going to be sorry, really sorry, as Alpha Black was not known for being kind and cuddly. I was a little scared to meet him, so I had held off each time Von asked if I wanted to go to visit her parent's pack, the Black Night pack.

I actually kind of wished I had gone at least once, but I was scared of everything that I had heard about Alpha Black while I was here at Red River. Tanner was going to take the watch over at 130 am for me to get some sleep and I watched the door and got up and watched what the nurses were doing with each visit, i know I made them nervous, but I loved Luna Liz, and I will not allow anyone to hurt her on my watch. She is the reason that I had been saved from Jack, got me out of Red River, and clear of Derek's rejection too, all because of her. I have new, amazing parents now, because of her. I have Tanner, because of her, I will not let anything happen to her when she was so loving and thoughtful to me. The time dragged on slowly, I had time to think of what I was going to be teaching tomorrow, and I picked up my schedule Alan sent and saw that he had put Piper, Heather, and Jack in his group to be trained. I am quite sure Jack will be getting his ass kicked, I see Story was in my group and other Omegas and I was glad to see that they did incorporate them into the training. Tanner kissed me on the head when he woke up to trade out with

me. I leaned my face up to him when I got out of the chair and gave him a proper kiss before I went to use the restroom, brushed my teeth, and went to lay down until 5 am. I got woken up at 455 by Heath mindlinking me and telling me that they were pulling up to the hospital now and to expect Derek and Alpha Monty soon, as the gate guards were upset at the number of warriors at their gates. Alpha Black told them it was because of the rogues attacking for them to have added protection, as his daughter had been attacked by them and he wanted the rogues to pay. I was hoping that the werewolf council members were here as well because I was just petty enough to want to see the cuffs put on him for having me taken as a toddler. That was actually going to be some closure for me. Who knows how I would have turned out, Stone isn't bad, but Taylor is a complete b***h. I have been told that they overdid it with her because they all thought I was gone. Again, how did giving her extra stuff help me in any possible way? My life wasn't better for it, maybe if they had looked, I don't know, asked around to try to find me, I was literally less than 200 miles away from their pack this whole time. If it had been my child, I would have moved heaven and earth to try to find them.

Heath entered the room a few minutes later with Alpha Black behind him. Alpha Black was still an attractive man who didn't look like he could possibly have daughters in their mid-forties. He looked about 55 years old tops, and he stood straight and tall as his eyes stopped on his daughter lying in the bed in front of him. We let him have his moment with her, and I saw the tears in his eyes when he looked up at me and smiled. Alpha Black has Von's blue eyes and blonde hair. He is about 6'3" tall with a broad chest and is still extremely fit for his age. He still runs his pack, the Black Night pack, with a firm hand, and his investments and his companies make several million each year. His pack is between Tanner's and Heath's and since he didn't have a son, he was eventually going to hand it over to his daughters when he wanted to retire.

"Is this my new granddaughter that I have heard so much about, Heath?" Alpha Black asks

Heath,

"It is, she and her mate Tanner relieved Justin to watch over Liz for the night. Gabi said that Monty showed up here last night and that she knew he had something in his hand, but he put it in his pocket and ended up leaving the room after she let him know that she was here for the night. I am assuming that Monty will plan to come this morning, and probably send Justin to get breakfast, to dose Liz again, would be my bet. We will get her to Ever Green as quickly as we can. The Werewolf council is supposed to be here soon. We will take care of all of this at the same time" Heath told Alpha Black and I stepped up to him to introduce myself.

"It is nice to meet you, sir, my name is Gabrielle Emerson, and it is a pleasure to meet you," I told Alpha Black.

"You are family, my dear, we hug family" Alpha Black told me and pulled me into a strong hug.

"Thank you for taking care of my daughter for us your being here to protect her, meant a lot to me and Vera. She wanted to come to get to meet you, but someone needed to stay with Von. Her hearing the pain and terror in Liz's voice, well she won't be doing well until she can see her sister" Alpha Black told

me.

"It was my pleasure to do it, Luna Liz rescued me from this pack, and my life would be totally different if she hadn't taken me to Ever Green" I told Alpha Black.

"Yes, I knew you wanted to come, but Liz told us how badly Monty talks about us here, and we knew you were scared to death to come to our pack and visit. We didn't want to push it until you were more comfortable with coming to see us" Alpha Black told me.

I blushed and nodded my head, "Yes sir, I have heard things, but now I know Alpha Month is not a good person and a liar. I hope to get to spend some time with you when we return to Ever Green" I told Alpha Black.

"Yes, that reminds me. Jason, come in here" Alpha Black calls out and the door opens with another person walking into the room. This guy was big, like "I spend all my free

time in the gym" big. He was at

least 6'4" tall and had one of the broadest chests that I have ever seen. He seemed light on his feet so he

probably did martial arts too, and I bet seeing him and Alan spar together would be a show we could sell tickets to. He had brown hair, cut short in a military-type haircut, and grey eyes. He was attractive, but I

have Tanner and to me, he is the most gorgeous man on the face of the earth.

"Alpha Black," Jason said to him and waited for instructions.

"Jason, you will be taking Liz with you back to Ever Green for her to be cared for. I want you in the back of the Ambulance with Liz, and I want you to have three of the SUVs with you one in front and two in back. If by any case, you encounter an issue, or someone goes to pull you over we will shoot first and sort it out later. You know what, you shouldn't have any problems as I am about to contact a friend at the Governor's office and have two state troopers who will also be escorting you there, just in case.

Please excuse me, I need to make a call" Alpha Black said and exited the room with Jason following behind.

Alpha Black was gone for about 10 minutes and when he came back Jason was no longer with him. Justin had texted me that he was on the way, that due to the large number attending training and apparently one of the Omegas for breakfast having been taken off the roster by Alpha Monty, everything was backed up in the kitchen as far as the food being prepared. Cranky people, no food, and no coffee was causing an issue and I told him that it was OK, I would be here until he got here, plus I wanted to see what happened when Derek and Alpha Monty showed up. I didn't have to wait too much longer. Alpha Black

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Monty Gets Caught

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Gabi's POV

The door opens and I watch Alpha Monty walk into the room, followed by Alpha Black.

You could tell that Alpha Monty was scared of Alpha Black and then the door opened again, and Derek slipped into the room and walked over to check on his mom. Monty

looks absolutely pissed and his chest is rising and falling quickly as he tries to calm

himself down before he starts a war. I am so glad that Derek took after his mom, at least

in his looks, because I can't stand to even look at Monty, and with Derek standing by his grandfather I could see the resemblance between them.

"Monty, as you know my daughter was attacked, I will not let them come in to finish her off. Your people are not trained and let's face it, you need my help, whether you want it or not. Your pack is not safe, and my daughter was almost killed because of it. The Werewolf Council will let us know why they are here when they get here, but I was asking them for permission to wage war on the rogue group the next time they come on your packlands" Alpha Black calmly said to Alpha Monty.

I wonder if Alpha Monty realizes that you don't need the Werewolf Council to get permission to wage war against rogues. That is something that I learned in training to join the group. I glanced over at Heath,

and he gave an almost imperceptible shake of his head, but he kept eye contact, so I knew he was sending me a message to stay quiet.

"OK, that is fine, Wells, I just didn't know why you rolled up with so many warriors. We have the training team here now, and training starts today, so we should be doing well in the next two to three weeks" Alpha Monty said to the group.

We all stand there for a little while and Alpha Monty said, "You can just run along now Gabi, and go to get breakfast before training".

"I am good, thank you. They are behind with breakfast and with everyone trying to grab something before training it is a cluster. They don't have anything ready to eat as yet, and I already told Justin that I would stay until he got out here, so I will just wait on him" I told him. Man, I wish those Elders would just get here, I want to see this before he pulls his rank and tries to make me leave.

"Gabi is fine staying here with us and was a big help to us volunteering to watch my daughter until we could get here. It is only 514, and she still has 45 minutes to get out there to start training. I look forward to watching her, as I have heard how well she learned her craft. I have to say that Heath here is one of the best sparring, and weapons, trainers that I have ever seen, and if he said that she is good, well let's just say that I look forward to watching her try to whip your people into shape" Alpha Black said to me, and I blushed at the compliment. I hope I live up to his estimations.

I see exactly when Alpha Black's eyes lite onto Derek and I know he is going to say something about

nodded his head and then excused himself from the room again. I guess Jason had mindlinked him.

minute later we heard yelling in the hallway.

"What the hell Wells? Why would you show up with a literal army here on MY packlands? Why did you feel like you needed to do that? We have everything under control. Liz will be just fine she just needs to rest and get treated for her injuries. Now I hear that the Werewolf council is at the gate? Why are they here?" I could tell Alpha Monty was about 50 feet away from the door when he started up with his yelling and questions. I hope Alpha Black lets him in the room so we can all see the show, instead of just hearing

Derek rejecting me. I reach out to grab Tanner's hand as Alpha Black opens his mouth to speak to Derek," What were you thinking son? You had a beautiful Goddess-given mate, and you reject her? Why? The Goddess gives us the person that she created for

us. There would have been no one better suited to be your mate and yet she is with Tanner here now. Tanner, I do not have a problem with you, this is just me asking what made him do that, as it was a truly stupid act, and one that he will be paying for, for the rest of his life” Alpha Black said and the whole room was silent waiting on Derek to answer.

“I got some bad advice grand-dad. I was told a chosen mate was a great idea, and we also saw an opportunity to increase our packlands by double, so I decided to do it. I never realized how much it was going to hurt me, or Gabi. Or that she would feel me betraying her. I am so sorry, Gabi. I didn’t realize that you would be in so much pain over what I did. I made a really bad decision, and I am truly sorry for even making it” Derek said to me, and I felt like he meant it. I nod at him in acceptance of his apology, but it is done, finished, and it is just Tanner and me from now on.

Akknock sounded on the door and two men that I didn’t know came into the room. They were both older and you felt the power radiating off of them when they came into the room. You didn’t have to announce that they were from the Werewolf Council, it was clear that they were. One had brown hair cut short with grey at his temples and piercing blue eyes, they seemed to stare right through you. The taller man had long grey hair, pulled back in a bun on the back of his head. He has pale grey eyes and he also seemed to be able to see inside you, to your soul. The room was crowded now so Tanner stepped back to the chair and sat down and then tugged me onto his lap for us to watch the show.

The taller one spoke and as he glanced around the room, I am Jeremiah Folkes, second in command for the Werewolf Council and we had gotten a report in that we are following up on now. This is the fifth in command, Alaric Rhodes, and we will be asking a few questions while we are here today. We were notified that Luna Liz was injured yesterday in a rogue attack. We will need to speak to whoever found her. We will also need to know who verified the area, as we were told some disturbing information and we need for it to be clarified” Council Member Folkes said to the group.

“My Beta Justin was the one who found mom in her office. She had been attacked and he took her to the hospital. I checked the area out after him and I agreed with his finding, but I will link him and get him to come out here to tell you himself” Derek told them and then nodded that was acceptable.

I mindlinked Alan and told him what was happening and that I might be late. Alan linked me back and said that due to the problem with the kitchen the training was going to start at 630, and not 6, and to take my time. That he would grab me an apple and Tanner a sausage biscuit and a drink and meet us on the training field.

Justin arrive 5 minutes later with a wrapped biscuit and a drink, and he put them down on the table next to Luna Liz’s bed. Justin looked nervous and I didn’t blame him, he didn’t know what was going on right now. Council Member Folkes started over and told Justin who he was and for Justin to answer his questions honestly. Justin nodded and the questioning started.

“Were you the one to find Luna Liz in the packhouse?” Council Member Folkes asked.

“Yes, I heard her screaming and I ran to find her, she was in her office,” Justin said. “Did you see anyone else there?” Council Member Folkes asked.

“No, I saw Luna Liz lying on the floor, and I ran to her, she was bleeding very badly, and I tore my shirt to try to slow down the bleeding for her and ran with her to the hospital,” Justin said.

“When you arrived at her office, did you smell that a rogue had been present?” Council Member Folkes asked. I see Alpha Monty stiffen and I think he is figuring out where this is going to go.

“No, I had been inside the packhouse when the attack happened, and they were outside. They did kill several, but they did not breach the packhouse. I did not smell any rogues scent in our packhouse”

Justin told them.

“You probably just missed it, as you were scared and worried over Liz being hurt. I would not punish you for missing it, it could have happened to anyone” Alpha Monty said, and everyone turned to look at him. Alpha Month was flushed, and his color was high. He seemed anxious and stressed right now.

“That is what I thought to dad, but I checked moms office at the packhouse, no rogues entered the pack house when the attack happened. I had thought the same thing, as well. I went to check while Justin took mom to the hospital. No rogue has been in the packhouse” Derek advised, and all eyes went to him.

“So, you can verify that the packhouse had not been breached, when your mom was attacked, young Alpha?” Council Member Folkes asked.

“Yes, I will swear to it, I don’t know who actually attacked mom, but it was not a member of the rogue group. I felt her move her hand last night and I hope she gets strong enough to tell you who did this to her. I will kill them myself” Derek tells the group.

“Well, she did son, she mindlinked her sister to tell her who had attacked her” Heath tells Derek and the look of surprise on his face was immediate. He didn’t know who had attacked his mom and he wanted to know. I believed him when he said that he would kill whoever did it.

“Well, what are you waiting for, who did it? I demand justice for my mother and this pack. I hope you are all here to make sure that they get punished” Derek calls out and you can tell that he is very upset that someone in his pack would hurt his beloved mother.

“Monty, do you want to tell your son, or do you want me to?” Alpha Black said, and Derek turns to look at his father. Monty shoves Council Member Folkes out of the way and opens the door to run out of the room, only to be greeted with the sight of Jason standing there in the doorway with his arms folded across his chest, and three warriors from Alpha Blacks pack standing behind him.

“You b***h, everything went to s**t because of you. I should have just killed you when I found out exactly who you were when you turned 10, just to get rid of you, instead of just telling Derek to not even play with you again. I wish Jack had gotten to you before Liz stopped him, you would have deserved everything that he did to you” Alpha Monty yells out and heads for me.