

# **Seducing My Ex's Father In Law**

## Chapter 401

"Sorry," I said, giving them both a small smile. "Didn't mean to keep you waiting."

"Is everything okay?" my mother asked, her eyes shining with concern.

I smiled back, even though I felt a bit uneasy.

"I told her, 'Yes, there was a long line for the bathroom.'"

I hated lying to her, but I didn't want my mother to find out that I had a confrontation with a Landry. She didn't look convinced, though.

sat at the table, the delicious food in front of us. My father had been watching me closely, studying my expression for a while. Finally, he nodded and leaned back in his chair.

"We should eat before our food gets cold," he said, picking up his fork.

I nodded in agreement, excited to dig in.

Nan sat quietly, enjoying the peaceful atmosphere of the restaurant. Suddenly, a loud commotion broke out on the other side, grabbing everyone's attention.

Nan felt lost and unsure of what to do. If it hadn't been for Judy convincing her all night, she wouldn't have even considered being here.

She would have probably told Chester no. But here she was, getting ready for her first official date with him.

Standing in her small apartment, she looked at herself in the mirror, her heart racing. She wore a beautiful dress that made her feel special.

She wore a casual dress that fit her perfectly and accentuated her figure nicely. Running her fingers through her short hair, she looked into the mirror, admiring her blue eyes. She had just finished giving herself a little pep talk when she heard a knock on her door.

It was showtime. She walked through her living room and opened the door. Her breath caught in her throat when she saw Chester standing in front of her. He looked so handsome in his suit, with his hair neatly styled. He looked perfect.

Chester smiled warmly when he saw her, and it made Nan's heart melt right away.

"Wow..." Chester said, looking at her with appreciation. "You look beautiful."

Nan blushed at his compliment and stared at the ground, feeling shy.

"Thanks," he said.

He nodded, briefly looking over her before meeting her gaze.

"Are you ready?" he asked. "I made a reservation at this new restaurant in the city."

Nan nodded.

Nan grabbed her purse and left her apartment. She felt a bit awkward, and during the car ride, neither she nor her companion said much.

When they arrived at the restaurant, things didn't improve. Nan still felt uneasy.

Gavin felt a bit awkward and unsure of what to say to him.

The Whimsical Whisk was a restaurant owned by Carter. It was located right down the street from Carter's resort, where Nan had worked for many years as a waitress. Her dream was to one day...

Becoming a chef is a funny coincidence, just like her friend Chester. She isn't even sure if Chester knows this about her, but she still struggles to think of something to say to him without it sounding silly.

"Thank you for agreeing to this date," she said.

Chester spoke with sincerity, and maybe a hint of something deeper.

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Nan nodded.

"I've wanted to try this place for a while now," she admitted, taking a sip of the wine that the waiter had just brought.

Chester nodded in agreement. “Yeah, me too,” he said softly. It was hard for him to look away from Nan. On the other hand, Nan struggled to meet Chester’s gaze for similar reasons. Their connection was strong, but both felt a little shy.

Bond was pulling one person in, and it scared them both.

Chester had never committed to anyone in his life. Meanwhile, Nan was struggling with trust issues when it came to him. She didn’t want to give her whole heart and soul to something that might eventually fall apart.

She tried to keep her guard up. Chester, although scared of commitment, wanted to break down her walls. He really wanted to know her—deeply and truly.

Before long, the waiter returned to their table.

Chester and Nan were at the restaurant, ready to place their orders. Chester let Nan go first. He leaned back and listened as she carefully explained how she wanted her stuffed pork chop cooked and prepared.

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By the time she was done, the waiter had completely filled his notepad and looked quite embarrassed. His face was bright red. He quickly turned to a new page and, with clenched teeth, asked, “And what else?”

Chester smiled and did almost the same thing, but with a different dish.

The waiter walked away, grumbling under his breath, clearly annoyed with them. Chester couldn’t help but let out a big laugh as he watched the waiter leave.

He looked at Nan, his face filled with awe.

“That was impressive,” he told her, still laughing. “Not many people know exactly how they want their food prepared like that.”

Nan shrugged, trying to hold back a smile.

She smiled to herself, noticing that her cheeks felt unusually warm.

“Just a habit, I guess,” she said softly, looking down at her wine glass. “Thanks for backing me up. I was worried he would hate me for the rest of the night.”

It was evening, and Nan felt a bit anxious. She worried that Chester might end up disliking both of them.

Chester laughed again, and to her surprise, Nan enjoyed the sound.

“What do you do for work?” Chester asked suddenly.

Nan’s face turned even redder. She was in her...

In her twenties, she felt like she hadn’t accomplished much in life. Unlike Chester, a well-known chef, she felt small in comparison.

“I’m just a waitress at the Carter resort,” she said softly to him, looking down as she spoke.

Chester took a sip of his wine and raised his eyebrows in surprise. “No way, really?” he asked. “That makes sense. It’s no wonder you know exactly how you like your food prepared. That place is pretty fancy! Patrick Carter really runs a tight ship there.”

Nan smiled, enjoying the conversation.

Nan nodded as she thought about her boss, Delta Carter. He was tough but also fair. Over the years, he had given Nan the raises she asked for and even praised her skills. Delta traveled a lot, and he always relied on Nan to handle things while he was away.

Chester looked at Nan, his eyes focused on her as he spoke. “Patrick is actually a friend of mine. If he ever gives you any trouble, just let me know. I’ll take care of it.”

Nan nodded, feeling a mix of relief and curiosity about Patrick. She appreciated Chester’s offer to help.

“He’s actually a pretty good boss,” she admitted with a smile.

He nodded thoughtfully. “I’m glad to hear that. How long have you worked for him?”

“Five years,” she replied.

She admitted this shyly.

He looked surprised.

“Wow, he doesn’t usually keep employees for that long...” he said, tilting his head at her. “You must be really special.” There was a hint of jealousy in his voice that she noticed.

Nan felt her cheeks heat up as she noticed the attention around her.

“I wouldn’t say that,” she replied quickly.

Before long, their food arrived. The waiter served them with a dismissive look. He asked if they needed anything else, but it was clear he wasn't interested in their response.

They asked for more wine, and the waiter went off to get it for them.

Chester laughed as he picked up his fork.

"He's going to be complaining about us all night," he said with a grin.

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Nan let out a small snort, not meaning to, and felt her cheeks turn red from the sound. Chester couldn't help but grin wider; he thought it was the cutest sound he had ever heard.

Before long, the waiter came back with their wine and quickly left again without saying anything else.

Nan and her friend sat down to eat, both trying hard not to laugh as they started their meal.

Nan took small bites, carefully noticing all the different flavors. She was impressed by how well the chef used thyme, mixing it with other seasonings that usually didn't go together. Each bite brought new tastes, and she appreciated the creativity.

As they continued to eat, they shared their thoughts on the food. Nan's friend chimed in, commenting on how the unexpected seasonings made the dish exciting. They both agreed that it was a delightful surprise.

The atmosphere was filled with warmth and laughter, making their meal enjoyable. Nan felt grateful for the experience and the company. They finished their food, still smiling and chatting about their favorite flavors, excited to try new dishes in the future.

She had a habit of naming the different seasonings in the dishes she ate, but she didn't even realize she was doing it. It wasn't until she noticed Chester staring at her that she became aware of her habit.

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Nan let out a small snort without meaning to, and her cheeks turned red from embarrassment. Chester couldn't help but smile even more; he thought her sound was the cutest thing he had ever heard.

Soon, the waiter came back with their wine and then left again, leaving Nan and Chester to enjoy their moment together.

Without saying another word, they both tried to hold back their laughter as they began to eat their food.

Nan took small bites, paying close attention to the different seasonings she could taste. She was impressed by the use of thyme, especially when it was combined with other flavors that complemented it perfectly.

Typically, they wouldn't work together, but in this case, they did.

She had a bad habit of noting the different seasonings in the dishes she ate without realizing it. She didn't even know she was saying it out loud until she noticed Chester looking at her.

He stared at her with wide eyes.

Before he could say anything, he saw someone walking up behind Nan. His expression darkened.

"What the heck..." he whispered.

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**\*\*Judy's POV\*\***

"Well, isn't this cozy?" Harper said loudly enough for everyone in the restaurant to hear. I quickly turned to see what she was looking at, and so did everyone else. My eyes widened in surprise as I took in the scene.

Nan sat at the table, looking tense, while Chester was seated right in front of her.

My heart raced in my chest.

I knew that Nan and Chester were going on a date tonight. I was part of the reason Nan said yes to going out with him.

I didn't expect to see them at this restaurant. I certainly didn't think Harper would show up and spoil everything for them.

"Harper, what are you doing here?" Chester asked. His voice was low and tense, full of warning.

I had never heard Chester so angry before. He was usually a happy and carefree guy, but this time he sounded really furious.

"What am I doing here? What the heck are you doing here? I barely..."

"After not seeing you for the last two weeks, I find out you're on a date with another woman?" Harper growled, her arms crossed tightly over her chest.

I raised my eyebrows at her words. She knew that Chester had found his mate, and that was a big deal.

Chester made it clear to Harper that they were not in a relationship. He had told her this before, so I wasn't sure why she seemed confused. I could see the shock on Nan's face as she listened to them talk.

I sat across the restaurant, my heart breaking for her.

"I ended things with you weeks ago," Chester said, reminding her of their recent breakup. "Who I date now isn't your concern. It never has been... you were the one who made the choice."

His words hung in the air, heavy with finality.

was just a casual fling. His words were sharp and aimed at hurting Nan, hoping to make him feel better about his own choices.

I could see through his act. It was clear he wanted to downplay how much he cared for Harper, but it didn't work. Nan felt the sting of his words, and I could feel the tension in the air.

It was just supposed to be a casual thing, nothing more than sex. But for Nan, it felt completely different. I could see her face turn red, and she was struggling to hold back tears. It was clear that she wanted to cry, even though she was trying her best to keep it together. Chester didn't notice what was happening.

Chester was too busy arguing with Harper to notice what was happening around him.

"We've broken up before, and we always get back together," Harper said. "Chester, I love you. I choose you as my mate. When are you finally going to open your eyes and see that?"

Harper's words hung in the air, filled with hope and frustration. She wanted Chester to understand how much he meant to her.

"Choose me too?" Harper asked, her voice filled with desperation.

I couldn't take my eyes off Nan. Her face was turning red, and she flinched at Harper's words. People around us gasped in surprise.

"I will never choose you as my mate," Nan declared firmly.

Chester growled, his frustration clear as he spoke to Harper. "When will you get that through your head?" He was visibly angry and desperate to get her away from whatever trouble they were facing.

Harper, feeling overwhelmed, replied, "It isn't fair!" Her voice was filled with emotion as she tried to express her feelings.

"Why her?" I asked, feeling a mix of confusion and hurt. "I know she's your mate, but I have been by your side for years. I stood by you when your mother passed away. I was there when you graduated from culinary school. I even helped you land the job at the Landry."

I stood by your side while you brought home every woman you wanted. You were with them, but I hardly blinked an eye. I knew that at the end of the day, you always came back to me. Even after you found your partner, I still felt that connection between us.

"Even after you went on a date with another woman, you still slept with me that night," she said.

Nan flinched with every word, but Chester was too caught up in his argument to see the pain she was feeling. She was desperate to make him understand how much he was hurting her.

"Is that Nan?" my mother asked, finally noticing the girl sitting with Chester at the table.

"Yeah," I whispered. "She found her mate."

"Oh, that poor girl," my mother said, her voice filled with concern.

My mother whispered, "Finding her mate and then having this happen."

I nodded in agreement as I focused back on the scene that Harper was creating.

"I'm the one who has always been there for you, Chester. You told me..."

"I was the only one who truly understood you," Harper said through her tears. Nan tried hard not to cry, but I could feel her heart breaking. It hurt me to see her like this.

"You told me that you could see yourself..." Nan began, her voice trembling as she struggled to hold back her emotions.

"Long-term," I said.

"I was drunk when I said that," I quickly added.



"It doesn't matter!" Harper shot back. "Drunk words are sober thoughts spoken out loud. You meant what you said, Chester. I could see it in your eyes. You love me."

"Don't!" Chester snapped, his wolf instincts ready to take over. "You have no idea what you're talking about!"

"The hell I don't!" Harper shouted back. "I know you better than anyone, especially better than this hussy!"

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Before I could understand what was happening, Harper took Nan's wine glass and splashed it on her dress. Everyone gasped in shock.

Nan jumped to her feet, her eyes filled with tears and her face red with anger.

I felt a wave of embarrassment wash over me. Even my parents gasped in shock. My mother let out a sad sigh when she saw Nan's upset and broken face.

"She doesn't deserve you," Harper said firmly. "She doesn't know you. She could never love you the way I love you."

Chester's back was turned to me, so I couldn't see his face. However, I could tell he was looking at Nan. She was upset, and her red fingernails pointed at her face as she spoke. I knew Chester was finally realizing just how troubled she really was.

Nan's dress was stained, and that only made things worse. She stood up, her body shaking. I could tell she was about to run away.

My mother tapped the table to get my attention.

"Go to her," she said.

"Are you sure?" she said softly.

I looked between her and my father.

"I feel bad bailing on dinner," I told her. "This is an important celebration, and family has always come first for me."

As if he could read my mind, my father nodded.

"Nan is family too," he said. "You should make sure she's okay."

I didn't need him to tell me twice. I quickly stood up and began to move.

Nan was struggling with her thoughts as she watched Chester and Harper argue at their table.

"You've crossed a line, Harper," Chester said, his voice low and serious.

As I got closer, their voices grew louder. I noticed some of the security personnel nearby, clearly paying attention to the situation.

Management was moving through the restaurant, curious about all the noise and ready to calm things down.

"You can't honestly say you don't have feelings for me, Chester," she said. "I've always been there for you..."

"I have always loved you. You can't deny that we have history together."

For a moment, Chester was silent. That was a big mistake. It was the moment when Nan's smile disappeared, and tears filled her eyes.

I noticed her expression before Chester did. I quickly wrapped my arm around her, surprising her. Then, I turned her away from Chester so he wouldn't see her face.

"Bathroom," I said, trying to keep things casual.

"I told her softly, 'Let's get you cleaned up.'"

Chester looked into my eyes, and I realized why he hadn't said anything. He was battling with his wolf. His wolf wanted to break free and attack Harper.

He was desperately trying to prevent that from happening. I felt relieved knowing that was the truth, but I don't think Nan understood it as well as I did. She interpreted his silence as him accepting Harper's words and agreeing with her.

Chester was too focused on controlling his wolf to notice Nan's sad and hurt expression. He had an Alpha wolf, which made it even harder to manage.

“Deal with this,” he said.

I spoke to Chester, trying to reach the man inside and not the wolf. “Or you’ll lose him forever.”

For a moment, Chester’s true eyes shone when he finally saw Nan. He noticed her shoulders shaking. She was quietly crying.

He was crying, trying to hold back the sound so he wouldn’t be heard. But now, he could no longer hide it. Panic flashed in his eyes as his wolf began to emerge. I could see the hatred and anger he felt towards Harper.

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As we walked by her, I couldn’t help but whisper, “If I were you, I’d start running.”

With those words hanging in the air, I led Nan away and towards the bathrooms. I chose to ignore the tension in the room behind us.

Nan was screaming as she slammed the bathroom door shut and locked it. At that moment, she completely fell apart. She began to sob loudly, collapsing to the ground. Her whole body shook as she released all the feelings she had been holding back.

That evening, I sat on the ground with Harper, my heart heavy as I watched my best friend struggle. My eyes felt hot with unshed tears, and I hated seeing her in pain. It hurt to know that she was going through this, and I was frustrated that it was happening because of her choices. All I wanted was to help her through it.

I had been friends with Harper for a long time, but now everything had changed. I couldn’t look at her without feeling resentment and anger.

Feeling overwhelmed, I picked up my phone and opened my text conversation with Gavin. I typed out a single message, hoping it would help me sort through my feelings.

It didn’t feel like he owed me anything, but I really needed this to get done.

“Me: I need a favor.”

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**\*Third Person POV\***

Chester stood up from the chair as soon as Nan was out of sight. He quickly grabbed Harper's hand, his nails pressing into her skin. Chester usually wasn't one to hurt women, but at that moment, he felt a surge of desperation.

Harper was overwhelmed with anger when he saw a woman hurting his mate. All his logic and reasoning vanished in that moment. He screamed as he felt his wolf's claws digging into her soft wrists.

Before the security team and management could reach the table to intervene, Chester...

He forcefully pulled Harper out of the restaurant, only letting go of her once they were outside. Even then, he swung her around so hard that she almost fell to the ground. He was growling and desperately trying to maintain control as his Alpha wolf instincts took over.

Chester was trying to keep his wolf under control, but it was tough because the wolf was so angry. Harper went from feeling confident and knowledgeable to scared. Her eyes widened as she had never seen Chester like this before.

"Chester—" she started to say.

"Don't you F\*\*\*ING—" Chester interrupted.

"Speak my name," he growled, his human thoughts lost somewhere deep inside. He was almost entirely wolf in a human body now. "You hurt my mate for the LAST TIME."

"I was just trying to get you to—"

"I wanted to snap you out of whatever—" she began, but Chester grabbed her throat in seconds. He slammed her against the building, causing her to cry out in pain.

"DON'T YOU EVER SPEAK ABOUT MY—"

"MATE LIKE THAT AGAIN," he growled, making the ground shake around them. "If you ever come near her again, I will KILL you."

Her body shook with fear, and tears streamed down her face.

"I..."

Harper's voice was barely a whisper as she tried to speak, her determination fading away. Before she could finish her thought, Chester tightened his grip around her throat.

"DON'T TEST ME, HARPER!" he shouted. "Stay away from her!"

“AND SEE WHAT THE FUCK HAPPENS.”

Her face turned red from the lack of oxygen. She struggled against his grip, but it felt like his wolf didn't want to let her go just yet. He wanted her to suffer. No, she thought, she couldn't let this happen.

Chester wanted her dead.

The thought jolted Chester back to reality. He released her neck with a sudden force, causing her to cough and gag as she collapsed to the ground. She rubbed her sore neck, her whole body shaking from the shock of what had just happened.

“If you think this is over...”

“You better be careful. If you even look at her the wrong way, I won't stop my wolf from killing you,” he warned. With that, he turned and stormed back toward the restaurant doors.

When he entered, the management team and security were waiting for him.

The atmosphere was tense, and it seemed like they were waiting for him to leave. The management was clearly ready to kick him out, but then a familiar figure stepped in to stop them.

“What was that all about, Chester?” Patrick Carter asked, raising his eyebrows in surprise.

He wore a suit like he usually did, and his hair was neatly combed away from his face. “Are you causing a scene at my new restaurant?” he asked.

“Sorry, Patrick,” Chester replied.

He ran his fingers through his hair, looking stressed. “That wasn't meant to happen. I promise she won't be a problem anymore... and neither will I. But I need to see my mate. I have to make sure she's okay.”

The security team stood by, watching him closely.

It looked like they were about to grab him and force him outside, but Delta Carter raised his hand to stop them. He then nodded at Chester.

“Just make sure there are no more scenes in my businesses,” he murmured. After that, he turned away, leaving the tension hanging in the air.

He turned to his men and said, “Make sure that girl doesn't come back.”

They all nodded in agreement.

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“Yes, Delta,” they replied before leaving the building.

Patrick gave a nod to the management team.

“It’s been...”

“Return to work,” he ordered.

“Yes, Delta,” she replied, giving Chester a worried look before she left.

Patrick sighed and turned to Chester, his expression becoming gentler.

“I’m only going to say this because...”

“You’re my friend, but you need to wake up. You should have seen the look on that poor girl’s face. She’s really upset. She’s my best employee at the resort, and I don’t want her to come to work feeling this way tomorrow night.”

Chester heard someone say, “She’s in the bathroom with Judy Montague. Fix this.” He nodded and headed straight to the bathroom, feeling the weight of everyone’s gaze on him.

He reached for the handle of the girls’ room but realized it was locked.

He knocked on the door.

“Come back later,” he heard Judy say from the other side.

“It’s me,” he replied, his voice low as he pressed his forehead against the door. His anger had finally calmed down now that he was here.

Harper was no longer in the picture, and now Chester was filled with regret and worry. He feared he had messed everything up with his friend.

“Please, let me in... Judy...” he pleaded. His voice was filled with desperation as he spoke, and he felt the weight of his mistakes pressing down on him.

He hated feeling so weak and defeated at that moment.

There was a long pause, and then he heard the door unlatch. It opened just a bit, revealing Judy's angry face. She glared at him for a moment, scanning his expression. But then, her eyes softened as she took in his vulnerability.

She noticed the look in his eyes.

"Welcome back," she whispered. "You have a lot to talk about. Be gentle with her..."

Judy stayed in the bathroom a little longer, most likely chatting with Nan.

Chester was lost in his despair and fear, unable to hear what was being said. Just then, Judy stepped out of the room with her arms crossed over her chest.

"I'll be out here in case anything happens," she said.

"Definitely," she said. "Don't break her ag."

Judy was in the bathroom a little longer, probably telling Nan that she was leaving. Chester, however, was too lost in his own despair and fear to notice what was happening.

Then, a sound broke the silence, pulling Chester from his thoughts.

A moment later, Judy stepped out of the broom, her arms crossed over her chest.

"I'll be out here in case anything happens," she said firmly. "Don't break her again."

Chester nodded, feeling a lump in his throat as he listened to her.

As he stepped into the bathroom, he took a deep breath. The cool tiles felt refreshing under his feet. He glanced around, taking in the familiar space. It was a small room, but it was his own little sanctuary. The mirror reflected his tired face, and he could see the steam from the shower rising in the air. He felt ready to wash away the day and start fresh.

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Nan sat on the couch in the far side of the room. Chester's eyes widened in surprise.

"Do ladies really have a couch in their bathroom?" he asked, amazed. He closed the door behind him.

Nan locked the door so they wouldn't be disturbed. She didn't respond; instead, she looked at her hands, relieved that her tears had finally stopped. She hoped Chester wouldn't see how hurt she was about everything that had happened. Little did she know, he was already aware of her pain.

He stepped closer to her, wanting to give her space but also feeling a strong urge to close the gap between them. It was a desperate feeling he couldn't quite understand.

"Nan..." he finally said, his voice soft and filled with compassion.

"I'm so sorry. I didn't mean for any of that to happen. She won't be a problem for you anymore; you have my word."

Nan looked up at him, and his heart sank when he saw the sadness in her eyes.

Chester looked at her with red eyes, holding back tears.

"She knew so much about you, Chester. You love her—"

"NO!" he interrupted, stepping closer to her. "I've known her for a long time, that's why she knows so much about me."

"I don't love her. I never have," he said firmly. She was speaking her truth, but it didn't match how he felt.

"She's never going to leave you alone..." Nan whispered, her voice filled with sadness as tears began to form in her eyes.

Tears streamed down her cheeks. He sat down on the couch next to her and gently held her face in his hands. Using his thumbs, he wiped away her tears.

"You have my word, Nan," he said softly. "She won't be a problem anymore. I'm so sorry."

"Our first date was ruined. I'm really sorry this happened. I promise you it won't happen again. Please don't hate me..."

There was a sense of desperation in his voice. She could feel his sincerity pulling her in. She closed her eyes, trying to process her feelings.

Tears streamed down her face as he gently wiped them away with his thumbs.

"Why does this have to be so hard?" she whispered. "I thought it would be easy once I found my mate..."

He let out a soft chuckle.

"Yeah, I don't think there's anything easy about mating," he said softly. "But I really want to give this a chance... a real chance. Please, don't shut the door on us just yet."

She sniffled and nodded in response.



“Okay,” she whispered. “I won’t close the door.”

He felt a wave of relief wash over him. He wrapped his arms around her and pulled her close to his chest. She was surprised by the sudden gesture, but as soon as her head rested against him, she felt comforted.

She touched his chest and melted into him, finally feeling at ease for the first time in her life. He felt the same way, loving the warmth of her in his arms.

“Can we go somewhere else?” she asked.

He asked, “Maybe a walk? I’m done with this place.”

She nodded, even though she wanted to stay in his arms a little longer. He also wanted to keep holding her. So, they stayed like that for a while.

They held on to each other tightly, as if their lives depended on it.

Soon, he began to let her go, but he quickly took her hand again to keep her close.

When he opened the bathroom door, Judy was standing on the other side with her arms outstretched.

Judy stood with her arms crossed over her chest. She looked up at Chester and then at Nan, her eyes narrowing as if to silently ask Nan if it was okay for her to leave with him.

Nan nodded, understanding Judy’s unspoken question. Judy’s expression relaxed, and she stepped aside.

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Chester led Nan out of the restaurant, paying no attention to the curious gazes of everyone inside.

As they walked through the city, hand in hand, they engaged in deep conversation. Chester shared stories about his family, including the sad memory of how his mother had passed away.

A few years ago, Chester talked about his Alpha father. Chester’s father didn’t want to take over the pack. Instead, he let his brother train for the position. This way, Chester could follow his dream of becoming a chef, something his father fully supported.

Gavin’s father never approved of his choices. He often talked about how Gavin had opened up his pack to Chester, allowing him to follow his dreams. This decision helped

Gavin connect with the Landry family. He even shared stories about how he met Harper and explained why she was important to him.

Chester was really worried about how Nan would react. He knew it was tough for her to hear about his relationship with Harper. But he felt it was important to talk about it and clear the air. Chester wanted Nan to trust him and to feel comfortable opening up to him.

After Chester had the conversation, he hoped that things would become easier between them. He wanted to make sure Nan understood how much he cared for her and that he was there for her no matter what.

After finishing his life story, they sat together in the local park. His arms were wrapped around her shoulders, and she leaned into him. They enjoyed a comfortable silence until Nan broke the stillness.

“I go to school with...”

“Judy, when I’m not working,” she said softly, “I’m in the culinary program.”

His eyes widened as he looked down at her.

“Oh, that’s how you know so much about food and their seasonings...” he replied, amazed.

She took a deep breath; it was a statement, not a question.

She nodded. “I want to be a chef one day...”

Hearing her soft voice and those hopeful words made his heart melt. He smiled down at her, feeling warmth and happiness as he thought about her dreams.

His friend wanted to become a chef, just like him. She seemed a bit shy about it, biting her lip as she spoke. He gently held her face in his hands and made sure she looked into his eyes.

“I can help you make your dream come true,” he said.

“Nan, dreams can become reality... but I need you to start trusting me. Do you think you can do that?”

**\*\*Chapter 407: Judy’s POV\*\***

“Great job today, Matt,” I said proudly as we finished our training for the evening. I was exhausted and ready to head home. It was the day after I...

I went out to dinner with my family, and I hadn't heard from Nan since last night. I was worried about her, but I knew I had to keep going with my life.

"Thanks," Matt said with a bright smile. "I learned something new today."

I learned a lot by watching the competition. I laughed and playfully rubbed his head, messing up his hair a bit. We walked inside, and I stopped when I noticed Gavin coming toward us. His face was hard to read, but his eyes showed something deeper.

Matt walked in with a big smile and greeted his dad, "Hi, Dad! We just finished training." He was excited to share, "We learned some new things from the competition and impressed Judy."

But earlier, there was something weighing on his mind. He had asked someone for a favor last night, but they had ignored him. It left him feeling a bit uneasy, especially since he had hoped for a reply. But for now, he pushed those thoughts aside and focused on the good news from training.

I chuckled at his words; he wasn't wrong.

"Nice job," Gavin said to him with an appreciative nod. "Can you give us a minute, buddy?"

Matt nodded and said goodbye to me before stepping away.

I looked up at Gavin as he walked into his room, curious about what he wanted to talk about. He moved closer to me, and his expression changed to a soft smile. My heart raced at the sight of him. He brushed back a strand of sweat from his forehead, and I felt a mix of excitement and nervousness.

I pushed my hair away from my face and tucked it behind my ear. His fingers lingered on my cheeks for a moment longer.

When he spoke, his voice was low and thoughtful. It felt like his words were meant just for me, and I felt a warmth spread through me.

A warmth spread through my body.

"Can you explain why I just fired one of my most trusted maids?" he asked.

My heart skipped a beat at his words. I stared at him, realizing he was serious.

"You fired her?" I asked in disbelief.

I asked, already knowing he was talking about Harper.

He raised his eyebrows.

"You asked me to," he reminded me.

I nodded and chewed on my lower lip. I noticed his eyes drifting down to my mouth.

The heat around my face made me let go of my lip.

"I thought you would have asked more questions," I admitted. "You didn't even respond to my text."

For a moment, his expression darkened.

"I didn't ask any questions before firing her. I just did it because you expressed your worries to me," he admitted, his voice a bit rough. "But here we are. Now, please explain what happened."

He sighed and looked away for a moment. I could tell he wasn't happy about it. Then, he gently grabbed my chin and turned my face back to his, making it clear that he wanted me to pay attention.

"She showed up at Nan and Chester's date last night," he said.

"I told him he caused a scene," I said. "He spilled wine on Nan's dress, and everyone at the Whimsical Whisk started staring at them. It was really bad, and Nan was heartbroken. Chester almost ruined everything for her. They just can't work together."

Nan can't see her best friend again. She doesn't want her friend to feel uncomfortable coming over. If she has to live there, and if Chester has to work there too, she really doesn't want Harper around. Nan doesn't want her best friend to be heartbroken and on guard.

Gavin's expression softened even more, and he nodded.

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"Okay," he said, pulling his hand away from my face.

I raised my eyebrows at what he said.

"That's it?" I asked.

"Just 'okay'?"

“What did you want me to say?” he asked simply.

“I don’t know... I thought you’d ask more questions or argue about it,” she replied.

He shrugged.

“I already knew that.”

“I fired her; it doesn’t matter anymore.”

“Yeah, but as you said, she was your most trusted maid...” I reminded him.

He nodded.

“Yes, but it seems I trust you more,” he admitted.

“You’re right,” I said. “I’d much rather have Chester working for me. He’s one of the best chefs around, and he really gets along well with the team. I don’t want him distracted or avoiding the people he works with. It’s probably for the best.”

I was surprised by how easily he made his assessment. I nodded thoughtfully in response.

“Thank you,” I said softly, meeting his gaze for a moment. I began to walk around him, but he grabbed my arm, stopping me.

“What are you doing?” he asked.

“Hey, what are you doing tonight?”

I paused and looked back at him.

“I was planning on just going home and sleeping,” I said, giving a noncommittal shrug. “Why?”

“Stay.”

His simple request made my heart race.

His heart was in complete turmoil. His eyes were dark and intense, stirring something in me that made it hard to breathe. I found myself nodding along without really thinking about it.

“Okay,” I managed to say, taking a breath.

Before I realized what was happening, he was pulling me closer to him.

I was pressed against him, feeling the warmth of his body. His strong arms wrapped around my waist in a protective embrace, and his lips captured mine in a passionate kiss that took my breath away. It was so intense that I felt like I was seeing stars.

Our mouths moved together perfectly, and when I felt his tongue gently brush against my lips, it sent a thrill through me.

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I moaned softly into his mouth, my whole body feeling like it was on fire. I could feel his fingers gently trailing down my back, making soothing circles just above the waistband of my yoga pants.

"My room," he murmured against my lips. "Now."

I nodded. He didn't give me a chance to say yes or no because, before I knew it, he was lifting me off the ground. He carried me over his shoulder, heading up the stairs.

I squealed and playfully swatted at him, asking him to let me go. It wasn't a serious struggle; I was more worried about someone seeing us—like Irene or Matt. The last thing I wanted was to explain to them why their father was holding me back.

He was carrying me to his bedroom like a caveman.

Luckily, we didn't run into anyone on the way there. As soon as we entered his room, he kicked the door shut with his foot.

He tossed me onto the bed, and I bounced up, laughing. He climbed on top of me, playfully throwing off his shirt, leaving his chest completely bare.

He looked stunning and irresistible; his abs were well-defined and impressive.

The scene was perfect, and I felt a strong urge to explore his fit body. Instead of that, I gently ran my fingers up his chest and around his neck, pulling him in for a deep, passionate kiss. It was long and intense, leaving us both breathless.

As he kissed me...

He worked on getting my tank top and workout bra off. Before that, our clothes were scattered all over his room, leaving us both bare and exposed to each other. I felt the soft breeze in his room brushing against my skin.

I felt a chill run down my skin, giving me goosebumps. Was it his touch causing this reaction? Honestly, I couldn't tell.

He pulled away from my lips and began to kiss down the back of my neck, taking his time to explore every inch with soft kisses and gentle bites.

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He fell on top of me. Even though he was trying not to crush me, his weight made me gasp for breath. He wrapped his arms around me, creating a warm cage, and pressed his lips softly against mine, kissing me tenderly.

It felt strange to be kissed like this after we had been intimate. Usually, he would be cleaning up by now. But instead, he stayed close to me, still inside, as he kissed me. The feelings behind the kiss were confusing, but I couldn't help but feel myself melt into the moment.

He leaned in and kissed her back. It was a completely new feeling for both of them.

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Alpha Levi was sitting at his desk when his phone rang. He didn't need to check the caller ID to know who it was. Without hesitation, he picked up the phone and pressed the answer button.

He pressed the "talk" button to his ear.

"I hope I have good news," he said, his voice harsher than he meant it to be.

"I don't feel good about this..." replied the voice on the other end. "What..."

"What if I mess up? What if I give myself away?"

"You won't," Levi replied, his voice getting sharper. "Because if you do, I'll send someone else to finish this job, and you won't like what happens to you."

"if I have to do that."

There was a long silence on the other end of the line.

"I'll keep you updated on my progress. But it might take a while..."

"I expect a report by the end of the day," came the firm reply.

"Don't disappoint me," Levi growled before abruptly ending the call. He slammed his phone onto his desk, almost breaking it. This wasn't the first time he had damaged a phone; his Beta, Ron, would have to find him a new one yet again.

Levi looked over the information he had gathered about Gavin's company. It was the largest franchise in the world, and Levi had wanted to be a part of it for a long time. Despite its size, the company had its challenges.

Gavin had some weak points in his life, and his relationship with Judy was one of them. He began to realize just how important she was to him. However, if their relationship fell apart, it might actually make it easier for him to take control of his company.

His children were also on his mind as he navigated these challenges.

Levi had made an important discovery: Mathew Landry was not Gavin's biological son, but his nephew.

Feeling the urgency of the situation, Levi pressed the intercom on his desk.

"Ron, please have Ethan Cash come to my office immediately," he said.

Ethan had just ordered his Beta. Just a few minutes later, he walked into his office, looking nervous.

Levi, on the other hand, thrived on the nerves of others. He enjoyed the way people felt intimidated around him. As Ethan entered, Levi leaned back in his chair, taking a moment to assess him. Ethan closed the door behind him, feeling the weight of the situation.



Ethan stood by the door, feeling a mix of anxiety and determination.

"You wanted to see me, Alpha?" he asked, his gaze fixed on the ground. He couldn't bring himself to meet Levi's eyes. This was common for Lycans; their strength often made others uneasy.

Levi, a figure of authority and power, stood before him, waiting for a response. Ethan knew this meeting was important, but he felt small in Levi's presence.

Levi looked at Ethan seriously and said, "Yes, I have a task for you." He paused for a moment, leaning forward on his desk, and continued, "I need you to return to the Silver Crescent pack."

Ethan's eyes widened.

"What?" he asked, looking worried. "Gavin is looking for me right now. He'll kill me if he sees me."

"You will be safe. My spies will protect you," Levi assured him.

"I found out that Gavin's son isn't actually his son," Levi said.

"Matthew?" Ethan asked, surprised.

Levi nodded. "He's actually Gavin's nephew. Matthew's mother is Gavin's sister," he explained.

Ethan looked confused as he processed this new information. Irene watched him, curious about what he was thinking.

Ethan couldn't believe what he had just learned. He had never heard Levi mention it before. Levi always called Matt her little brother, never her cousin. This new information left Ethan feeling confused. He wasn't sure what to make of it, but he could tell it was significant since Levi was bringing it up to him like this.

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"I need you to find out what you can about her," he said firmly. "Her name is Cassandra Landry, but that's all we were able to find. Everything else has been hidden by the Landry Corporation."

"How am I supposed to find out more?"

"Do you have any information about this woman?" Ethan asked. "I don't have any connections with the Landrys anymore."

"Figure it out," Levi replied confidently. "Then report back to me with your findings. I'll give you two weeks, but after that, you better have something."

Ethan stood there, his stomach in knots. He knew that if he didn't do what Levi asked, his life would become very difficult. So, he nodded in agreement.

"I'll get started on that right away," Ethan said, bowing his head slightly.

Judy watched as one of her classmates walked by her table in the student lounge.

"You totally kicked ass in that competition!" her classmate said, smiling.

"Yeah, we were rooting for you!" another friend chimed in.

Judy felt a rush of pride at their words. It was nice to hear their support after all the hard work she had put into the competition.

"You're amazing!" her friend said. "I can't believe I actually know you!"

I looked at Nan, and she gave me a similar look. We both understood that those girls wouldn't be talking to me if it weren't for the moment we were in.

I hadn't won the competition. For the past four years at this school, they hadn't liked either of us. But now, as we prepare to graduate in a few months, suddenly I'm important to them.

"Thanks," was all I could say.

It had been like this all day. Today was my first day back at school since the start of my last semester. This semester was very important for my degree, and I felt excited to finally finish school and move on.

I wanted to share a bit about my life. Technically, I don't have to finish school. Winning the competition means I'm already part of the Elite Gamma Force. But deep down, I really wanted to show that I'm more than just strong and fast. I wanted to prove myself in other ways too.

"My brain too," she said.

"If things don't work out as a gamma, at least I still have my degree and a bit of courage to move forward."

"Graduation can't come soon enough," Nan murmured as she watched the girls walk away.

I laughed at her comment, fully agreeing with her.

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"Judy, Nan!"

I heard a familiar voice calling from across the student lounge. When I looked over, my eyes widened in surprise.

"Holy crap, she's actually..."

"Here," Nan said, her eyes fixed on Sammy, who was walking towards us with a bright smile on her face.

"Sammy?" I asked as she got closer.

"It's so good to see you both," Sammy replied warmly.

"I hope I'm not interrupting," she said, sitting in the seat across from me.

"Not at all," I replied. "We're just surprised to see you here. I didn't think you'd actually come."

She nodded.

"I needed to get away from my pack and my boyfriend. Gavin was kind enough to set me up here. I'm really excited to start this semester with you all."

"When do you graduate?"

"How long do we have to wait?" Nan asked.

"Two more years," Sammy replied.

"Too bad we didn't know you were coming soon," Nan said with a small frown. "We are graduating this year."

"That's huge!" Sammy exclaimed.

A girl with a bright smile approached me and asked, "Let me guess, you're in the Gamma Force major?"

I nodded in response.

"What gave that away?" I chuckled.

She laughed too, then turned to Nan.

"You don't seem like a gamma," she said directly.

"I'm a chef," Nan replied, biting her lower lip. "Well, at least I hope to be one."

"Nan is a great cook," I added.

Sammy wrapped her arm around her shoulders and pulled her closer. "She's in the short culinary program and is on her way to graduating at the top of her class. Don't let her sell you short."

Sammy smiled thoughtfully at that.

I noticed more people looking our way, and I tried my best to ignore them. Sammy, on the other hand, was frowning as he glanced around. He leaned in closer to the table to talk to us.

"Everyone is staring at you," he said, a hint of concern in his voice.

"Is it like this all the time?" she whispered.

"Only recently," Nan replied just as quietly. "Since she won the Gamma competition, it's all anyone can talk about."

"It's still all over the place," Nan added, glancing around. "You can't escape it."

"You're right," Sammy said. "I don't blame them for talking. It's not every day that a woman wins the title and joins the Elite. It's a rare event, and you just happened to be that rare person."

I could feel my cheeks growing warmer by the second, and I nervously nibbled on my lower lip.

"What am I supposed to do? I can't have them staring at me all the time. Will it ever wear off?" I asked, glancing between the people around me.

Nan spoke softly, "I'm sure it will work out. Try not to worry too much about it."

I nodded and took a deep breath.

For the rest of the day, I tried to keep her words in mind.

At the end of the day, I kept my head down as low as I could. I could still feel people staring at me and hear the whispers all around. Despite this, I did my best to ignore them. By the time classes were over for the day,

That evening, I was completely worn out. I considered calling Gavin to tell him I didn't want to tutor Matt today. But then I thought better of it. I didn't want to let Matt down; he was expecting me to show up soon anyway.

Beta Taylor was probably already waiting for me to take her to Gavin's Villa.

Just before I left my last class of the day, my professor stopped me.

"Judy, can I speak with you for a moment?" she asked with a small smile.

I approached Professor Rivers' desk and noticed a thoughtful look on her face.

"Is everything okay, Professor Rivers?" I asked, concerned.

"Yes," she replied, smiling. "First, I want to congratulate you on winning the competition. That was a huge accomplishment!"

"Thank you," I said, feeling a little awkward.

"And secondly, we are going to have a new student joining us this week. He's in your major, and he will need some help getting settled in."

"I was hoping you could tutor him and help him out a bit. You'd get paid, of course," she said to me.

I nodded eagerly. I could use the extra money, and I really enjoyed tutoring.

"Sure, I'd love to help," I replied.

"Would love to. When does he arrive?" I asked.

"Tomorrow," she replied. "He's transferring from a different school."

"Okay," I said. "I'd be happy to help."

"Thanks, Judy. I knew I could count on you," I said with a smile.

With that, I left and headed straight to the front of the campus. When I arrived, I saw that Taylor's car was already parked there. I opened the back door.

I stopped when I saw Sammy sitting in the car. She was holding her bag tightly against her chest.

"What are you doing here?" I asked as I climbed into the car.

"Alpha Gavin said I could stay in the mansion with you," Sammy replied.

She raised her eyebrows and said to me, "If that's okay. I don't really have another place lined up right now, and he thought that would be the easiest solution."

"That's completely fine," I replied. "I'm happy to help."

She smiled brightly at me after I spoke.

"Also, he got me a job," she said. "Now, I can earn my keep in his pack while I'm here."

"A job?" I asked, surprised.

"What type of job?" she asked, looking confused.

Suddenly, a big smile spread across her face.

"You are looking at your new handmaiden!"

Gavin had quickly hired a new maid to take Harper's place, and the reality of the situation hit him almost immediately.

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