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Peyton's POV

Hotel near Blood Claw

I wake up and I can feel Percy sleeping right behind me. He has his arm around my waist and has me firmly pulled against him. It makes me smile because he was holding me so tight, and I distinctly feel him pressing into me. I feel a little guilty at having fallen asleep on him last night, but thankfully when I laid down my exhaustion from the day took over. I felt safe, secure, and loved lying here in his arms. I am so happy that I, surprisingly, didn't have a nightmare last night. I hope that it continues as yesterday was a really stressful day, but I felt so much better today than I did yesterday. It is still early, not quite 7, but I wanted some time with Percy before we had to go down for breakfast. I push myself into him and wiggle my a*s just a little bit into his c**k. It is already up and clearly wants some attention this morning. Percy will be waking up any second after I just wiggled my invitation to him. He didn't disappoint, I didn't have to wait for long.

I feel kisses being pressed on my shoulder going closer toward my neck, and then a little nip on my mark, making me ache for him. He releases his hold on me a little so I can turn towards him, and I let my towel that I was wearing slip off as I turned and watched his hungry gaze move all over me. I love how much he shows his love and care for me. We did get off to a bumpy start, but he has shown me each day how much he truly cares for me. He makes me feel like I am the most beautiful woman in the world to him. He makes my heart beat for only him, and there is nothing that I wouldn't do to help him. I trace his chest with my left hand and notice that he found the bag of clothes that I had asked one of my mother's aides to get for him. I was a little disappointed that he was half dressed but that won't last long. I glanced up at him through my lashes, and he is watching me attentively. He is going to let me run this, at my speed because he doesn't want to overpower me right now. He knew what a terrible time I had yesterday and is willing to do whatever it takes to make me happy.

Normally he would just take over the session making me scream in pleasure, but today is a different kind of vibe for me. I need to move things along at a slower, more comforting pace. I put my hand on the back of his neck and pull him towards me a little to give him a kiss. It is gentle and unhurried, far from the heated and more aggressive sessions that we normally have, but still a thorough kiss. This one has more intimacy in the action, instead of the more passionate ones we usually share. My heart rate increases as I roll onto my back pulling Percy over me, as we continue to prolong this lovely and pleasing kiss. I feel Percy's hand stroke lightly up my side. Causing ribbons of pleasure on my skin as his touch gives me those wonderful tingles that seem to be even more electric with this slow stroke that he is using on me.

Everything is heightened right now. My feelings, the tingles, and my heart rate. This is quite a different experience and I feel my n*****s harden against his chest as he deepens the kiss with me. I moan in my throat and Percy instinctively wants to move faster and for a moment he does as the kiss gets more intense, but then he slows it back down again. Although I wouldn't mind a thorough session, my heart needs this more gentle version today. Percy cups my breast with his hand before he breaks the kiss to kiss down my jaw and then down to my breast. Taking my n*****e in his mouth and making lazy circles. There is love, tenderness, and care here, of course, there is also passion, but his taking his time is driving me out of my mind. He is all I can focus on as he continues to work me higher and higher.

I cannot keep the low moans from coming from me. I feel so much more with the pace he is setting. I feel like I am floating on pleasure, and then I feel him get up quickly to take his lounge pants off. His d**k springs up with its freedom from the pajama bottoms, and I can tell it is painfully hard for him right now. I know that I am already ready for him, as my lower lips are slick with my need for him. Percy gives me a sly grin and then goes to the end of the bed, to crawl up between my legs. "Percy, I am ready for you. You do not have to worry about getting me ready, I want to be connected to you right now" I told him, and he shakes his head and gets comfortable between my legs. I know he had to make adjustments for himself for him to be able to lie down on the bed comfortably. He spreads my legs further apart, and I blush from the view that I know is literally in his face. We have not been together so long that this is second nature for me yet, but I do enjoy our times together.

Percy heads straight in and goes for my clit first, gently tugging it into his mouth and sucking on it, as he knows how much I love that. Our bond allows him to know exactly what I need from him in this, and he is happy to oblige me. I cannot control the sounds coming from me as Percy works me up, and then stops to allow me to come back down, before taking me over the edge. He comes up my body kissing and stroking me until I think I will lose my mind with the pleasure of it. I am almost panting with need by the time he comes and lines up to me, then uses my own juices to gently stroke my clit with the soft skin on the head of his c**k. Those motions make me have to bite down on my lip to keep from crying out again. I am trying to keep it together because I know for a fact that my parents are in the room next door and his parents were in the one on the other side of us. My brother and his mate are across the hall from us, and dad got the other two rooms reserved for his Beta couple, and the other for Heath. I need to be able to look them all in the face at breakfast, and although we are new mates, I don't feel the need to "advertise" what we do in private together.

Percy gives me mercy and then slides slowly into me. I feel him as he goes further and further into me until we are completely connected. I hear his groan low in his throat and it makes me smile. He is having a hard time holding in his own approval for me, but we were made for each other, and we fit perfectly together. I feel so full right now, and Percy then starts making these delicious slow strokes in and out, over and over again. He then rises up a little on me, so he is dragging himself across my clit each time he enters and exits me. That friction is making me want to c*m right now, but the pleasure is so great, I want this moment to last forever. I look up at him and he is looking straight at me. His

love and desire for me are expressed in his eyes, and it takes my breath away with all the emotions that are showing. I don't think I have ever seen him looking at me quite like this before.

I KNOW that he loves me, and I love to see it when his loving gaze is focused on me, but this kind of intensity that he has in his eyes right now. I can feel all of his emotions. The fear he had of losing me, at not knowing where I was or how to protect me. His elation at finding me, knowing where I was, and that I was not being hurt anymore. His pain at me being rescued and led out of that camp, and not being able to go with me. I feel it all in him, and it moves my heart. I reached up and stroked his face, cupping his cheek in my hand. I want to provide him comfort as well. I have already decided that I will focus on learning my new gift, so this doesn't happen again. Being taken was a horrifying experience that I would not want to repeat. I cannot let it happen again. I will NOT allow him to feel that pain and fear of my being taken again.

"My love" I whisper to him, and I can feel his happiness at my words. I wanted him to know that he was the only one in my heart. Percy stayed on his slow and steady pace and even though I really liked the regular more aggressive route that we normally take, this was exactly what I needed. For us to be joined together tightly and his slow unhurried strokes bringing me closer and closer to the release I needed from him. He was in so deeply and I feel completely bound to him in this. I cried out my pleasure and tried to be as quiet as I could about it. I feel like he has taken root in my heart as if we are bound eternally together. I am still so sensitive as he makes a few more strokes inside me, releasing his seed into me. His low approving moan in his release made me even more turned on by him. He is so deep, I already know that if we weren't with pup yet, this will have done it. I feel our bond tighten up and I feel more, I don't even know quite how to explain it because I cannot even find the words to define it. More complete, more whole, with him right now. Like where I am in this moment is me back to whole, he makes me feel whole like he has fixed all the broken inside me. With no more pain and anguish, just me exactly where I need to be, with WHO I need to be with. It is difficult for me to describe, but the feeling is intense, and I am happier right now at this moment than at ANY other time in my life. I have always felt the mate bond, holding us together, but this, where we are right now, is a whole other level for us.

I will always feel bad for what Malachi had to endure because of Timothy, but I will never miss Timothy. Percy has my heart and there is no one else but him and my family in there. Percy is still holding his weight off of me and placing light kisses on my face before he then pulls out of me. He goes into the bathroom to get the shower warmed up for us. He has grown so much since we found each other, he actively looks for ways to show me how much he cares for me. Me finally breaking down and telling him how much it hurt me that he didn't announce me to the pack sooner and that he didn't stop the she-wolves from chasing him. It was like I was some sort of shameful secret. That had hurt me, very badly. He didn't encourage them, but he also didn't make it clear to them that he was no longer available. He didn't show them that I was his one and only and that they could stop what they were doing. It was disheartening to me. I felt unvalued, especially after the welcome that I received from Stephanie when I got there. We worked through a lot together, and when I told him that I felt like he was embarrassed of me, he showed me very quickly that

was not the case. When you are called names for a long period of time, and not allowed to take care of yourself properly, sometimes you end up believing it. Believing that you are ugly, unworthy and that no one wants you. I still feel like a plain jane sometimes around some of the she-wolves that make sure their hair and makeup are perfect at all times. I just never learned how to apply it, and I like to just wash my face, put my hair into a ponytail, and go train.

We showered together, and I always love that. Percy ended up needing another go this morning after he got me rinsed off, and I also enjoy this quicker version while he had me pressed up against the glass wall of the shower. I loved what we did this morning, and it was absolutely perfect. But he really gets me going with his hard thrusts making me whimper into his mouth as he kisses me, catching my scream as I came apart again. I was completely relaxed and happy when we exited the room this morning, at 745, but I had my suitcase already packed, and his bag with us. I was thankful that my mother had thought to bring the new clothes that she had got for me, I did need the new clothes. They fit perfectly, and I was wearing a comfy pair of black leggings with a pink stripe up them, wearing a matching pink sports bra that had the crisscross on the back, and a black tank top on top of it.

Percy had made sure to stand behind me, he didn't want any of the men here "checking out your a*s" as he put it when he was walking behind me to the elevator. He didn't notice it in the room before, and I know he was still toying with the idea of asking me to change. I was really comfortable, and It was the start of the third week of June now. I was in line getting food when something hit me, and I went to Gabi. "We missed Elena's birthday, we didn't have a party," I told her. Gabi nodded and kept picking out food from the buffet line.

"Yes, she asked us to stop having them after the last fiasco when Anna and her friends tricked her into having that sleepover. After that, we usually just do a cake, and a special dinner for her, but with everything going on, she told me that we could wait until everything settled down for us to do something as a family. I will make sure that you and Percy, as well as Von and Heath, will be there, don't worry" Gabi told me, and I felt bad for Elena. They had been on high alert because of me and Sloan and all our issues that they missed getting to celebrate their daughter's birthday. I feel terrible about it. My birthday was at the beginning of last month and trust me when I said that there was no celebration for it. I haven't celebrated mine since I turned 13 before I left my parent's pack.

"I would like to do something special for her, help make her favorite meal, and favorite cake. I miss getting to celebrate mine, and birthdays are important. I am so sorry if she felt that it wasn't important enough for us to celebrate it. I want to make it up to her" I told Gabi, and I am so upset at the thought that she felt it wasn't worth mentioning to us so we could have done something at Ever Green to celebrate her special day.

"That wasn't it at all honey. Elena isn't a big party person to begin with, and when she finally decided to try to have a sleepover, it ended up blowing up in her face. She trusts Michelle, and she adores you, and Sloan. She has three bonus sisters now, instead of one.

She is ecstatic about it and happier than she has been for a while. We will get it done, but she knows as much as the rest of us, she cannot enjoy celebrating her birthday until all this s**t gets settled. We will not risk any of your lives in celebration when there is even a slight risk. So, don't you worry about it. We will get Jasper settled, and then go back to Blood Rose and get that straightened out. Then we will throw a birthday for both you and Elena, even though it is now June, and not May anymore. It will be fine, and we will all have a wonderful time" Gabi told me. She put her plate down at the end and gave me a hug. I am so lucky that this wonderful and strong woman wholeheartedly accepted me into her family. I could not have asked for or received a better woman than my mother-in-law.

I went back and got in line with Percy, and we got our breakfast too. We talked and laughed while we ate, and I was glad to see that everyone felt a lot better about things this morning. I am not looking forward to being anywhere around Jasper today, but I would be glad that this would be over soon. Waiting for the shoe to drop is no way to live. Not knowing when an attack is coming but knowing that it is inevitable is very stressful. I want the freedom that everyone else has, to leave their home, and be able to go shop for whatever it is that you want; clothes, shoes, food, and know that you are safe to do it. I haven't known how that had felt for 6 and a half years. I want to be able to do that, without having to have 15 warriors with me. After being taken yesterday, I know that was something that I never wanted to repeat. Jerry was a good man, and he realized quickly that what he had been told was a lie. Thankfully, he was able to think for himself, and figured out that he had been lied to, and was going to rectify it. I know if Jasper ever got his hands on me, I would not be so lucky, Jasper had his eyes on the largest prize of our kind, to be the Alpha King, and he was willing to kill both my brothers to do it. I will never let that happen.

I am ready to go right now, the sooner we get there, the sooner this is done. My father asked us all to go to the conference room after we ate, so we could get the plan straight. Even the rogues were in here with us, and they had their first really good meal this morning at breakfast. The two council members, Heath, Tanner, and Gabi, all had ideas, and my mother was requested to go back to the Royal Knight pack with my brothers, and Amanda for their safety. Now that it was known what his plan was, they needed to be safe, so five of the top ten warriors from Royal Knight arrived this morning, and the Beta Couple was going back with my mom and brothers. I will miss them, but I will plan on seeing them soon. I hugged everyone goodbye, and the weakest of the rouge cell started off towards Ever Green with Kevin driving the first of the two vehicles. They were not completely weak, just young, and not trained to fight at all. Best to keep them safe and let them go back first. The men that wanted to go to Blood Rose will stay with us, and park a little ways away from the Dark Savage pack, we don't need to pull up with five full vehicles at their gate. We will use three of them and try to not scare Jasper into doing something stupid. Goddess willing this will end well for us.

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Sebastian's POV

Dark Savage pack

We are 5 minutes out, and my protection team and I are in this SUV. Heath is riding with his family, and the two Council members have the rest of my team riding with them. There is a total of 18 of us that will be at the gate, but I will have my men stand down. I will also have the sharpshooters go ahead and set up, as we do not know what to expect there. I mean Jasper shot Heath. That was really stupid on his part. Heath will not accept that kind of disrespect, and even at 20 years older than Jasper, he would want to fight Jasper hand-to-hand until one of them died. Shooting an Alpha, especially one as experienced and respected as Heath comes with more issues than Jasper had even thought about. He will be losing support from other packs, and eventually, he will lead his pack to be all alone, with no support in case of rogue attacks.

He was just so angry that Peyton wasn't just handed over to him that he lost his temper and acted. That was why he wasn't a good Alpha, and why he could never be the Alpha King. I mean Peyton was my daughter, my only daughter, and I still have to follow the rules of what I could do when he was after her. I didn't get to protect her the way I wanted to or should have. I can't just act on my feelings, I have to carefully weigh things to be fair to all my subjects and protect my people. I can't just go off and do what I want. I think that is where Alpha Jasper made the most mistakes. He ASSUMED that it is just all fun, games, and power to be the Alpha King. It is not. It is stress, worry, and concern that your subjects are suffering. To provide safety and stability to people who need it, to make sure packs are run correctly, and the pack members are all treated well. That they are not abused and are taken care of. Obviously, there was no way that I could have known about what my own daughter was suffering with. No one that she could trust to help her, to reach out to tell me what was happening, for fear of the abuse happening to them. She was almost killed twice with abuse so heinous it was like the aggressive techniques that were actually used to question violent rogues.

It was unacceptable what had happened to her, and at the root of it all, was Alpha Jasper. He started this ball rolling, and as far as I am concerned everything that happened after he started making plans to take my 13-year-old daughter, was squarely on his shoulders. He really has caused my family great difficulty. We thought she was dead, we mourned her for years, it hurt us to our core what had happened. Yet we later find that she was still alive and had been living in pain and fear. I will never get past this happening to her, even if I live to be 150. What happened to her was completely unacceptable, and I already have plans in place to make sure that what happened to my precious Peyton doesn't happen again in the future. It shouldn't have happened to anyone if I am being honest. I feel we need to make changes that affect our people, not just the ones who think the most

of themselves because they are an Alpha, but for all. Everyone has value, given the proper tools in upbringing, you shouldn't be able to tell those from privilege from someone who wasn't, except for the amount of spoiling that usually goes on for the elite.

I plan on putting my new plans into effect soon, Hunt's Law, where if it is found that a pack member is living in such horrible conditions. Someone only has to make a phone call made from the pack will result in a team coming to check on the pack members. I still have to speak to Heath about it, but I want to have at least three members of his elite team going with my team to help protect them, along with the warriors. I know this won't be quick, and we will have to deal with the status quo for a little while, but I want to eradicate the abuse that is a dirty little secret for some packs. The pack members know who it is happening to in their packs. If we need to, we can fund the hotline so that when people do report it, the person who told can also be rescued from the pack as well. I wanted to name it Peyton's Law, because it is because of her, and what she went through, that I wanted this to be done. But I felt like she would have been embarrassed about it being named after her. She wouldn't like all of the attention from it, so I settled for using our last name instead. I think that everyone will agree that it is a good name.

We arrive at the Dark Savage pack, and we park in the area by the gate. They seem surprised at our arrival, and I am not surprised, as we didn't want to give them any kind of notice that we were coming here.

"Can you state your name, and purpose for your visit?" one of the younger gate guards asked us. You could tell he was made to do it as the lowest rank there.

"Please tell Alpha Jasper that the Alpha King, Sebastian Hunt, and two members of the Werewolf Council, Anthony Miller, and Teresa Phillips are here to speak with him," I told him and let the authority in my voice seep out. I see the other two guards now exiting the booth and taking an active interest in us now.

"Wait, I see Alpha Heath, as well as Alpha Tanner and Luna Gabi here too, and they are all on the banned list. They cannot enter our packlands" one of the guards called out.

"We can start this at the gate, we have much to discuss. Please notify him that we are here and will be needing to speak to him today. Make no mistake gentlemen, he is either here at the gate in the next 10 minutes, or you can consider yourselves at war with our packs, and a few others. Tell him it is his choice on what happens next" I told them. I see the surprised looks on their faces, and I see them all looking at each other. No one wants to relay this message. I give them a little while before speaking again.

"You are running out of time gentlemen. Advise your Beta if you want to have him relay the message to Alpha Jasper, but you now have 9 minutes. Please stop wasting precious time" I tell them and then look past them in the direction of the packhouse. They needed a reminder that my time is important, and I will not be speaking to them again. I see one of them finally mindlinking, he probably took my advice on it. Yes, when you don't want to be the bearer of bad news, give it to the Beta. They really do have to deal with a lot.

“Please wait, King Hunt, Beta Cameron is telling Alpha Jasper right now. But I can tell you that Alpha Jasper has gotten ill in the last few weeks, and his girlfriend is sick as well. I do not know if he will be able to come to the gate or not, but Beta Cameron will be down soon” one of the older gate guards told me. I guess since he knew who he was dealing with now, he took dealing with me away from the young pup. He knew if I was here, let alone the Council members, that whatever the reason for our visit, it was indeed important.

“Thank you for announcing us,” I told them and then fixed my gaze at the hill coming from the packhouse. This told them two things, I was not up for chit-chat, and I knew that someone of a higher rank was indeed heading my way. I am trying to remain calm, but I can tell that Peyton is stressing out, and it is getting me upset quickly. I hate that we need to deal with this, but we were all here together, and this did need to be done. She has dealt with too much because of Jasper, and he was going to be given a warning at this time. I heard a vehicle coming well before I saw it top the hill and everyone turns to watch it heading towards us. It was moving slowly like they are unconcerned that their time is almost up, or they were trying to make me madder at having to wait. I see the vehicle parked near the gate and Jasper is behind the wheel, he really doesn’t look good. His former good health has left him, and he looks pale and was visibly sweating. I start to remember what the toxin results had come back with, and it looks like the same problems that he is dealing with right now.

This is bad, both Anthony and I both believed that he had killed his first two Lunas. With him so sick right now, it can’t be him. He wouldn’t poison himself. His Beta looked concerned for him, and Jasper had to hold onto the gate to keep himself upright. OK, we need to figure this out quickly, or he is going to die.

“Jasper, we need access to your pack. You are being poisoned, and we need to deal with this quickly for you to be saved” I tell him, but I see him looking right past me, at Peyton standing next to her SUV with Percy. She looks scared, and I don’t blame her. But he is too weak to even try something right now. I walked over to Heath while Anthony spoke to Jasper to try to convince both him and his Beta Cameron to let us into his packland. I told Heath to call in the last two SUVs to come to us, as I was not going to enter this pack without a great deal of backup. They also were going to leave the sharpshooters in place, for now. We may need them later, and I would rather them be ready to go when and if we need them.

“I don’t want them in my pack” I heard Alpha Jasper say and he is pointing at Heath, Gabi, and Tanner. He follows up with, “Or him” as he points at Percy. Percy growls back at Jasper. That growl lets him, and everyone present, know that if he isn’t coming, then Peyton isn’t coming in either.

“Jasper, you are in no position to negotiate. We need to come in to take you to the pack doctor and investigate who is doing this. You need to let us in, I can get the doctor up to speed quickly, as we already know what you are being poisoned with. Your life is in danger, you need to stop playing around and let us in your pack. We are not here to cause any problems. We actually came to make two announcements, and then we will be gone,

but this is quite serious. If we leave, and we will if you insist upon it, but you will be dead soon” I tell him, and he sees that I am serious.

We wait patiently for a few minutes while we see Jasper and his Beta Cameron mindlinking with each other. A short time later, the gates are opened to allow us entry. We all go back to our SUVs and follow Jasper’s SUV back up to his packhouse. His pack hospital is behind his packhouse, so we are close to it, and head that way with him. We started off together in a group towards the hospital because he has already shown us that he cannot be trusted. With me and the Council members here, he will immediately be put to death for any action against us. He already knew that before he let us into the Dark Savage pack. I guess he just wanted to save his own life. I hope he doesn’t think that it will be his daughter doing it, his pack doctor will be the hero today. She might be able to heal him, but he is still savable. He just needs fluids and rest, and for us to determine who the culprit is. They need to be punished, they have already killed two she-wolves, and the Luna of the pack. They need to be caught and stopped, because with them being bold enough to kill off the Luna of the pack, then they were willing to kill any of the members here.

We head past the gardens at the back of the packhouse and I notice a very nice vegetable garden, and three rows of fruit trees, in several varieties. It is very cost-effective to do this, and I am glad that someone here at Dark Savage has a great head on their shoulders. I notice some beautiful flowers in a bed near the back door, this flower bed is being lovingly taken care of. No weeds in sight, and the flowers are healthy and hydrated. Someone loves this garden and tends to all parts of it to take care of it. I slow down in my walk, as Alpha Jasper is getting winded from exerting himself. I come to a stop and act like I can’t see that he needs to rest before continuing to the hospital. I then notice a particularly beautiful plant with lovely purple flowers that were facing toward the ground and looking like delicate little bells. Right next to it was another plant with large violet-blue flowers on it. They were both stunning against the white stone of the packhouse and they really showed off against it. I made sure that my gaze was noticed, and Anthony, Teresa, Heath, Gabi, and Tanner had all stopped and commented on how lovely the garden was before we continued on to the pack hospital.

We have our context now, and Jasper was not the person we were looking for. We will have to work even more quickly now. I nodded to Anthony to step up to speak to both Alpha Jasper, and Beta Cameron, to ask that no one be allowed to leave Dark Savage. He didn’t make a huge deal of it, but by the Leader of the Werewolf Council making the request, they knew something was about to happen. Especially hot on the heels of us telling Jasper that if he didn’t work with us, he would be dying soon. They knew that we knew something now and they were just playing nice with us. They wanted to know what was going on too, but we needed to get to a secure place to speak with both Jasper and the pack doctor, as quickly as possible. We need the ball rolling quickly because now that we are here, it will spread like wildfire. Soon the guilty party will know that we are here, and either try to escape Dark Savage or try to finish him off. I don’t want to let someone who was evil enough to kill off two Lunas be able to leave here and get away with it. They would need to be punished, and we were ready to take care of it right now. We can’t take the chance of them killing again.

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Jasper's POV

Dark Shadow Pack

I would have never thought that when I got requested at the gate, it would be for them to deliver my dream girl to me. I still wanted Peyton, she had grown into a beautiful woman, and I would be glad to take her as my Luna. I don't know why they were here, but King Sebastian did appear to be surprised at my condition when he saw me. He knows something about what is going on, and I wish he would tell me what is going on, as I do feel terrible. I have been feeling bad since two days after the ambush occurred. I swear if I thought that someone from Ever Green could have gotten on my packland without being found, I would take the matter up with the Council members. I don't know if they were trying to kill me, but I have not taken in anyone new, not since I allowed Stephanie to enter my pack. I know for a fact that it isn't her, as she is even sicker than I am. She declined quickly and has been in the hospital for the last two days. The pack doctor had tried everything that he could think of illness-wise, but nothing is coming back as the cause. He has been my pack doctor for a while now, and I see the concern, and fear, in his eyes.

I was in my Office talking with Cameron about my mysterious illness when he got the mindlink. I was weak but I didn't want to show how bad this illness was affecting me, I know that I just ended up doing so anyway. I hated being so weak, I had to hold onto the gate to keep from falling down. Stephanie was just an Omega, and she went down fairly quickly. I think that the only reason I am not hospitalized yet is the fact that I am an Alpha. I was bred to be strong, but I am really actively worse every single day. I was amused at first that King Sebastian acted like I was about to die. But after listening to what he said, I suddenly remembered that both my Luna's had acted like Stephanie is acting right before they died. I no longer took it as a joke. The king and the Leader of the Council both knew something, and if my life really was in danger, I needed to know it too. I was very concerned as I really just assumed that we were sick, not that death was imminent for either one of us.

We arrived at the pack hospital, and I am having to lean on the counter while we wait for the doctor. I hated looking so weak, especially in front of Peyton, but I am spent. Walking at the gate, and from the packhouse to the hospital has drained me. My Beta hurries to go get me a wheelchair to get me to the room when it is ready. The King and Council Leader Miller are speaking with the head nurse about my condition, and she goes and pages my doctor to the front desk again, this time with more intensity. What in the hell is going on here? Since when does King Sebastian not want me dead? He has been furious since he found out I was planning on taking Peyton when she was 13. I wasn't going to hurt her, mate, or mark her. I was going to try to get her to fall in love with me, by having her live

here with me. I knew it would be a matter of time before she fell for my handsome looks, she wouldn't be able to help herself. I have done this successfully numerous times.

I had it all planned out, I knew I would just have to be patient, and kind to her. To take it slowly and then when she turned 16, she could come out to be trained with my men, and I would just happen to be out there training too. There was a reason I had such a success rate with the ladies. I trained all the time, I am cut and in peak condition and I have never had to chase any of them. I have never had to try to get a woman, they always threw themselves at me, coming to me willingly. I have to thank my parents for that because it is solely because of them that my face is the perfection that it is. Well, it was perfection, until Heath grazed me with that bullet. It healed well, but my face is no longer perfect anymore. I owe Heath the same, I will make sure that he gets the payback that he deserves before he leaves here. I will just have to be very careful about it. The doctor approaches the nurse, who is still with King Sebastian and Council Leader Miller, and they all have a hushed discussion. The doctor looked surprised and then starts yelling out a lot of instructions to the nurses at the nurse's station.

I have no idea what was relayed, but from the sound of it, I was going to die, if they hadn't come here. Maybe I will rethink my vengeance on Heath if they can save my life. I did go after him first, so I will call it a draw if what they came here to tell me ends up saving my life. My Beta hurries down the hallway with the nurses to get me in a room, and I am put in the room next to Stephanie's. I guess they wanted to keep us together even though she is not officially anything to me. We just slept together, a lot at first, but after seeing her true colors, I get helped onto the bed by my doctor and my Beta, as I am a lot bigger than they are and a solid 230 lbs. The nurses get right to work and get me set up with IVs and then bring in a large bowl as they were giving me Ipecac syrup to induce vomiting. I have no idea what is going on, but if they know this will help, I don't mind doing it. They are doing the same thing in Stephanie's room, but due to the large number of people in the hallway, I heard exactly when Stephanie saw Percy, and then Peyton.

"Percy, thank the Goddess you came for me. I knew that you would finally come to your senses and want me back. I love you. Why did you take so long to come to me? Please don't leave me again" Stephanie starts by saying to him. She is loud, and she has been having a lot of hallucinations in the last week. She was weak but seeing Percy, she perked right up. I am glad to give her back to him, he can leave Peyton here in exchange if he is dumb enough to make one.

"Stephanie, I am a mated wolf. Do not speak to me, we are nothing to each other, and I curse the day I met you. You are nothing but a user, and all you wanted was the Luna position. You only love yourself, no one else. You won't be getting back with me. I have my Luna, I do not need you at all. You are never allowed back at Ever Green, as you have been banished, you can continue to stay here for the rest of your life if Alpha Jasper still wants you" Percy said in a cold hard tone. I knew it wasn't going to be that easy. Stephanie was with me within hours of arriving here, she just wants to be a ranked wolf, and shop. That is her goal. She is not willing to do her job assignments or help anyone else out. She spends her time trying to con other Omegas into doing her work for her.

She is a real piece of work. She even tried to take Cassidy's head Omega position away from her, and it worked for a week, but she ended up messing everything up in the kitchen area. I had to set it right again, I cannot have things so disorganized. I need things done just like Cassidy does them. I feel guilty about what I have done to Cassidy in the last 10 years. She was my mate, and before I could keep Bain from doing it, he slept with her. He knew my plan, and having an Omega as my Luna, was NEVER part of my plan. I would only accept rising in power, not losing it. I laid back on my bed and tried to rest. I am very weak right now, and I would like to get well, I know I need to rest to get better, but I have things that have to be completed like most of the paperwork and approving all the orders for the pack. I already knew that Stephanie was not done, because she had only seen Percy. She hadn't seen Peyton yet, probably because he was most likely blocking her from Stephanie's view. I didn't want to hear her speak, her voice is annoying as hell. I need to see if I can get moved to anywhere else in the hospital. I cannot rest with her near me.

"What the hell are you doing here Gabi? This isn't your pack, and you need to leave right now. Heath too, neither of you belongs here at Dark Savage. You people can't just bully your way in here. You really have some nerve" Stephanie yells out to them, and I see King Sebastian's head raise up to listen. Council Leader Miller looked at him, with a questioning look on his face, and King Sebastian put his finger to his mouth, and Council Leader Miller nods. Now, this should be getting interesting.

"You have no authority here Stephanie. You need to just lay back, rest, and shut your mouth. I will not have you talk any kind of way to my family. It will not end well for you. You need to heed my warning because this is the only one that you will get" I heard Gabi reply back, in a calm tone. I heard it, the threat implied in what she had just said. I know why too, all of us do. Stephanie will be going bananas when she sees Peyton. I allow a smile to cross my face, I just realized that I am OK with staying here now. I have a ringside seat for the show that is about to begin. I don't have to see it to know what is about to happen here. They came to help, and all that i**t woman can do is talk s**t to them, even I am keeping my mouth shut, and I am the Alpha here.

"You have no authority here either Luna" Stephanie fires back, saying the word Luna in a sarcastic manner. She probably did a stupid expression along with it, and I suddenly wish I could see what was going on too. Man, Stephanie is even more ignorant than I gave her credit for. I hope she doesn't ask me for help, or any of my men because I won't be allowing it. She probably thinks that because she is sick that she will get a pass, but she would be wrong.

"Stephanie, I think you need to just calm down, and give your body, and your mouth an opportunity to rest. No one here wants to hear you speaking anymore. If you have an ounce of intelligence in you, you need to use it now. No one spoke to you first, you are starting something with people that you cannot beat. Do not take us giving you grace for anything more than it is. I can still have you brought up on embezzlement charges. You are WELL over the Werewolf Council's \$5,000 mark for stealing from packs. You are, in fact, over eight times that amount, so if you don't stop, I will exercise my rights to have you imprisoned for that theft. It is up to you, please think before you speak again, because when you have gone too far, I doubt Alpha Jasper will step in to protect you" Heath tells

her in a hard tone. He is trying to warn her, but she is not smart enough to get the message. He is correct, they can have her, I am done with her. She was a nice distraction for about a month, but I wasn't planning on her staying here forever. She is more of a problem here at my pack than a benefit. She has overstayed her welcome and needs to leave Dark Savage because she only causes problems here. She thinks too highly of herself, and refuses to work, we all have to work here, she dodges, hides, and cons others into taking some of her workload. Her passing off her daily list to others overworks them, but it did make it seem like she was working here, at least at first it did. I know better now, and Cassidy was sick of it, so she is on her all the time to do her assigned duties. Stephanie is complaining all the time about having to clean the bathrooms, but I think it is fitting for her, so I backed Cassidy when she started giving Stephanie that job. She deserves it.

Leader Miller seemed very interested in the embezzlement talk and looked to King Sebastian about it. King Sebastian nodded to him and then mouthed, "I will tell you later". I see the second Council member, the only female on the Council, moving from my door over to Stephanie's to watch what was happening. I smiled again when I heard, "What the hell are you looking at lady? You can stay out of my room. You don't belong here, and I don't want any members of Ever Green to come around me. I don't trust anyone from there but Percy. Percy baby, why won't you come and sit with me? I am so sick, I need some comfort. I know you can hear me, Percy" Stephanie's voice gets even louder as he ignores her. She is almost crying in her frustration, but I know why. We have been having the same issues with hallucinations, delirium, trouble breathing, and a painful irritation in our mouths. I am suddenly glad that I hadn't asked to be moved away from here. They are forgetting how much they don't like me and now focusing on how much they ALL don't like her.

What the hell did I ever see in her? Oh, yea, she has a pretty face and a smoking hot body. But that is all, just a pretty shell. She is not nice, kind to anyone, or loving, she is only greedy and manipulative. All her positives are only on the outside, she has no content of character. I close my eyes, in an effort to hear better as if that will work. But I do not want to miss anything that is said in the next room. Two minutes later I smiled as apparently, Percy shifted, and Peyton came into Stephanie's view. "Why are YOU here?" the fury in Stephanie's voice is chilling. She blows right past hate, straight into loathing, all because Stephanie wanted what wasn't hers. Well s**t, I guess I did it too. I try to fight back the guilt that I have for what I was trying to do, and I can't excuse my actions. She was a young teenager, and I was so focused on getting what I wanted, that I almost ruined Peyton's life. I have been battling the guilt that I have struggled with, having heard some of the rumors of what she had been forced to endure, all because I did the same thing that she tried to do. I tamper down my guilt, but I know that it won't go away. I had gotten a good report of what they had done to her at the Blood Claw pack, and after I heard I almost went back to attack them. I wish I had known then when that b***h came by here to get money from me for information on Peyton. I would have gotten the information, and she would have never left here. She was the reason for all of Peyton's suffering. I remember her being the one to tell us where Peyton was, if they hadn't tried to fight my team that day, no one would have died that day. I never wanted anyone hurt by my

getting Peyton in my possession, I just wanted to start getting her used to me, so she could fall in love with me.

“You stupid slut, you just popped in and took my boyfriend of over two years away from me. There is no way that your weak a*s was mated to him. I could beat you up, and I don’t even train. You are nothing compared to me. You are barely even passingly pretty. You are in no way competition to me. If I hadn’t been forced to leave the packlands, I WOULD have gotten him back. I still can get him back. He has wanted me for years, you may have him now, but I WILL get him back. I will make you suffer like you made me suffer by getting me booted from Ever Green. There is NOTHING special about you, and I could snap my fingers and get him back now, if I wanted to” Stephanie yells at Peyton. Oh s**t, now the real show begins.

King Sebastian exits my room with Council Leader Miller right behind him. I was right she IS an i**t, and I can’t wait to hear this play out. “Stephanie Turner, are you serious? Who the hell are you speaking to her like that? You are nothing but a pack slut who got mad because the man she tried to lead and trick for over two years, knew better than to actually sleep with you. I thank the Goddess for that every day. You are not worth one tear from Peyton. Percy got caught up in your web of lies, deceit, and you begging him to make you his chosen Luna for Ever Green. Since that didn’t work, you decided to cause a scene when she arrived, telling her lies and making yourself look pretty bad in the process. I wish that she had called me, or mindlinked, me the moment that she knew. I wish that I had been given the opportunity to be there before you managed to run away with your tail between your legs. You would be rotting away in a cell, preferably at my pack so I could know that my daughter was safe from your evil tricks. I am just thankful that you are a moron, or else your plan might have worked. Peyton is a quality she-wolf, not because she is my daughter, but because she cares for others, she is kind and willing to help anyone. Even when they have done her wrong, she gives grace. She also tries to do all that she can to make sure that no one ever suffers like she had to for so many years. She ended up using her own money to pay back all of the people that you forced to do your work, while you still reaped the benefits from it. There is nothing about her, that you can even try to compare to, you are a vile person, and have absolutely no redeeming qualities in you” King Sebastian told her in a cold tone, and I already know what the expression on his face will be. He is not one to be messed with, he is very imposing.

“She, she, is your daughter?” Stephanie asked, and now she has fear in her voice.

“Yes, she is. She is my only daughter. I was glad that Heath, Von, Gabi, and Tanner were there to help her out with this. You knew he wasn’t your mate and yet you still conspired to try to take him from his mate. You do not know better than the Goddess herself. You just wanted the title, and money to shop with. You never loved him, you just wanted something that you didn’t deserve. I will not allow you to speak against her again. If you chose to do that, I will make sure that you are charged with embezzlement, as is my right. You had disappeared to avoid being punished, but you did take money for work that you never did. Just because you ran away doesn’t mean that your crime is forgiven. The women that did your work all filled out statements about how you coerced them to do your work. Heath and Von still have all the sheets that you signed to state that you had

done the work that you were getting paid to do. I will make sure that you get punished for your crime against Ever Green. Maybe having the time to think about your actions will help mould you into a better she-wolf. I will make sure that all who have committed a known crime will be punished for it” King Sebastian told her.

I had to contain my laugh at her being silenced. I am glad she was going to be punished. Then it hit me, he had threatened her and then had a follow-up sentence after it. Who else was he talking about? Me? I thought that I was past this, he can’t prove anything, or he would have been here sooner. I am starting to worry. King Sebastian landing here, with two members of the Council, is not a good thing. If my memory is correct the two members that he has with him are the sticklers for the laws being followed. I mean, the whole Council fully follows the letter of the law, but the two Members that are here, are the ones who enjoy looking for, finding, and tacking on additional crimes if they apply. Maybe they knew what was going on here, and who they were after, it might not be about me. But doubt is creeping in on me now, I know that King Sebastian is not stupid, he knew this whole time. I know I am not in the clear here, and now I am concerned. I will just focus on getting stronger and trying to take advantage of the situation. I mean, Peyton got delivered here, maybe she will end up staying. I will see what I can do to make that happen.

Rejecting, Your Broken Promises Chapter 94

Gabi’s POV

Dark Savage pack

Well, we know now for a fact that Jasper was not the one who killed his first two Luna’s. He, and Stephanie, are both showing the same symptoms that both of the Luna’s had exhibited, it was all noted in their medical records. I was glad that King Sebastian had shut Stephanie up, and quickly. I almost wished that she had told her dad when she found out that Percy had a girlfriend, but no one knew what Stephanie had planned to do until she started confronting Peyton. But I think it would have gone quicker if the Alpha King had shown up, and taken care of her, instead of her deciding to leave. We did want her out of there at the time, no one wanted her to stay, but her being arrested for embezzlement would have been a choice that I could have supported.

She has been sullen ever since. There is nothing she can do, and if she verbally attacks Peyton again, I just hope that I am there to see what happens. Jasper has already said that he will not help her. It will not end well for her, at all. I needed to ask some hard questions now, and I entered Jasper’s room. They didn’t want to have to pump his stomach, they used the older method to make him throw up until he couldn’t anymore, to clear the poisons from his stomach. The room had been cleared of the nasty bucket that he had to use to do that. It still smelled bad in here, the stomach acid that had come up

smelled terrible, and even after cleaning the room, and changing out his blanket that sour smell still lingered. Jasper was still weakened by all he had gone through and was lying back weakly on his pillows. I have my suspicions on how I want to question him, and Heath knew that sending me to ask, would be the best route. I believe I know what has happened here, as a woman, I can see the big picture. The Luna's were targeted, but he was never targeted until recently. Thankfully, we got here in time, or it might be thought that the guilt he felt over killing his former Luna's had driven him over the brink, and so he committed suicide. They might have assumed that he killed himself and his current lover, but from the shock on his face, I knew he didn't know what was going on here, and neither did Stephanie.

Council member, Teresa Phillips, had come in here with me, both as a witness and to record the conversation in a recorder hidden in the side of her purse. The Council knows that in these types of incidents sometimes the Alpha will refuse to testify or refuses to admit what happened in the original conversation. Tanner wanted to come with me, but with Jasper still being such a lady's man, and having a lesser opinion of women, it was best that we do this. He will never suspect us as quickly as he would if King Sebastian, or Council Leader Miller, came in here. He also wouldn't be telling Heath, Percy, or Tanner anything either.

So, it really fell into our laps to try to figure this whole mess out, as I will not be letting Peyton anywhere near him while we are here. I could see him perk up at seeing her here, in his pack. I also know that as soon as he feels better, or at least stronger, he will be making a mistake and will want to try to keep her here, but she will not be staying here with him. I had spoken to Teresa in the hallway, and she agreed with my thought process on what had happened here at Dark Savage. We will have to go the long way around, if we just go straight into it, he will dig in, and not answer our questions. It is best to lead him where we want him to go, instead of showing our hand first. He is not a complete i***t, and he will not want to incriminate himself or a pack member either and it will be someone from his pack. We had given him four hours to rest and had not applied any pressure at all on him.

"Jasper, how are you feeling this afternoon? Do you have time to answer a few questions for us?" I asked him in a gentle tone. He already has heard of me and my reputation, but he also knows that sometimes people embellish sometimes. Me acting gently toward him may convince him that I have been built up by rumors instead of actually being a threat. He has never really seen me in action except in the ambush, and he was more focused on Peyton at that time than me. A lot of people underestimate me, usually men, and I can work with this. I see him looking at us both, sizing us up, and with a smirk on his face he answers, "Sure, I am always glad to speak to lovely women,"

His words of flattery are not going to work on me, but I see a flush on Teresa's cheeks. He is a very handsome man and in great shape. I may very well think him to be a good man too, if I hadn't seen him shoot at my dad with the intention to kill, with my own eyes, I would also think he is redeemable. But I am willing to play along with him, he wants to play fake, then let's do this. "I am so sorry that you are having to go through this. We are all hoping that the doctors are able to get you back to 100% quickly. I know that you run a

tight ship here and want to get back to your paperwork and be able to train again” I told him, and he nods at me in acknowledgment of my compliment of both him and his pack. A lot of Alphas are easy to lead, you compliment them, and they just assume that you are just another woman that is easy to control because you want the Luna position, or are impressed by them. I already have my Alpha, and I wouldn’t trade him for anything. I will say that I look at anyone that I don’t know coming at me with compliments is always considered a threat to me. They have an agenda, and I just needed to figure out what exactly it was.

“Thank you, we do a lot here at my pack to be sustainable, that includes growing our own food, as well as recycling. I have people here that I can trust to help me achieve my goals and it helps us to be able to be successful in many different ways. Mainly using food waste as compost, we reduce the amount of trash that we have, and it helps our garden grow with the nutrients we are putting back into the soil. Plus, it helps as we can increase our meat order more, by using the fruits and vegetables from our garden thus allowing our pack to eat well, and of course, coming from the garden the food is organic” Jasper tells us proudly. I smiled bigger at him, showing how impressed I am with what he is doing. We do that as well at my pack, we also make clothes in all sizes for our pack members, as well as for refugees that need them. I believe in reducing waste as well, and I think what he is doing is a good thing. Plus, this opens the door to talk about the garden now.

“I did see the beautiful garden on the way to the hospital. It is clearly well-tended and loved. Someone obviously takes great care of that, and I saw the fruit trees nearby too. I can tell that a lot of work goes into it, as we have one as well at Blood Rose. It is a noble thing to be self-sustaining like that. I also thought that the flower bed that follows the length of the kitchen. It looks like it wraps around to the back door of the kitchen was also gorgeous. I think that was a brilliant idea as that wall has windows all the way down it and it truly brings the beauty from outside, indoors. Seeing something so lovely like that must make the workers in the kitchen love their jobs even more. I love the color purple and those blooms against the white wall are stunning and eye-catching. I want to ask what type of flower they are. I would love to incorporate them into my pack as well. They are unusual and I have never seen them before but the tall shoots with the large flowers on them, and the smaller bell-shaped ones are the ones that I really love. Do you happen to know the name of them that is if you don’t mind me duplicating it in my pack” I asked him. He is preening in his pride of me wanting to duplicate what he has here, at my pack. He is not thinking anything other than the fact that I am jealous of something in his pack, and that makes him happy.

“I do not know the name of them, but my Lead Omega, Cassidy, runs everything that has to do with the garden, flower bed, and fruit trees. She chose all of them by picking my favorite vegetables that I like to eat most, and my favorite pies too. The flowerbeds were built for her to have a nice view from the kitchen, as they work in there so often. She had a hand in the design of the kitchen as well, so she could keep an eye on her flowers. She hand-picked every flower in that bed, so she would be able to tell you exactly what is in it” Jasper tells us, and I can hear the pride in his voice when talking about Cassidy. I went ahead and mindlinked Heath to tell him. We needed to know who did that garden as the plants that I loved were the poisonous ones. Belladonna, with the beautiful bell-shaped

purple blooms, and Wolfsbane with the large, gorgeous flowers on the stalks. Both are beautiful but deadly to ingest.

Heath is with King Sebastian, Leader Miller, Percy, and Peyton. We used the soundproof meeting room to discuss my idea, and after I told them what I thought, they unanimously agreed with me. Someone was jealous and had killed off Jasper's Luna's. They had deliberately kept him alive, but something had happened recently that caused whoever it was to snap. Because she went after Stephanie, AND Jasper this time. This tells me that she was at the end of her plan, and she might try to hurt others in an effort to get away. I had made up a plan to pull her out of hiding, I just needed more context in this situation. Even with it just being hours since they started to be treated, they both have already shown a marked improvement already. Jasper was sitting up in bed and already seems stronger. The doctor said Stephanie is better too, and that she will fully recover since we caught it in time. Apparently, whoever was behind it wanted them both to suffer, a lot, by giving it to them in low doses, to prolong their illness. She had gotten away with it twice, she has no reason to suspect that she has been discovered, as it had been several years since she had last done it.

They will start the second half of the plan now that they know who is behind it. Percy and King Sebastian were NOT happy about the plan at all, because Peyton will have to be directly in the line of fire. It had to be done though. We needed proof of what was going on, and for it to be documented. We need to know where her stash is of poisons and for her to give it to Peyton. Then we would be able to end this properly. I feel bad for her, and I believe that I already know why this happened. I hate that I am so upset for her, but memories of it happening to me, and for the same reason come crashing back to me and those memories were hard to get past. I close my eyes and take a deep breath before proceeding with the harder questions. I looked at Jasper in his smug face and decide that he needs to tell us the whole story now.

"So, Jasper, when did you find your mate?" I asked him with a smile on my face.

"You mean my first Luna, Carrie?" Jasper asked me with a frown on his face.

"No, your mate," I said in a stronger tone.

"You mean my second Luna, Jasmine?" Jasper asked me, as he sits up straighter in his bed. He is now getting upset, and he wanted to intimidate me by sitting up higher in his bed, and now he is flexing. He is clearly feeling better, but his attempt to intimidate me is not going to work for him.

"No Alpha Jasper, I mean your mate, Cassidy," I told him, and he can't keep the stunned look off his face. He was caught off guard and the myriad of expressions that cross his face before he forces himself to relax and lay back on his bed has already told the story, despite what is about to come out of his mouth.

“Cassidy is not my mate” Jasper tells me in a whisper, but there was pain in his voice. He must have been holding himself back away from her for years for him to be so upset about this. I already know what this poor woman has been through this whole time at Dark Savage. She loved and cared for him, and he rejected her because he doesn’t realize that the Goddess puts her children together for a reason. He doesn’t even realize what she does for him, even after all these years. I will have to clue him in, as I believe that he needs this wake-up call.

“When did you find her Jasper? Was it eight years ago? I bet it was about 9 or ten years ago, right Jasper? What you did to her, rejecting her, hurt her more than you will ever know. She does a lot in this pack, and you spoke about her with pride. She runs things here for you and acts as the Luna, even with the low title of your lead Omega. She loves this pack as much as she loves you. She grows all your favorite things here, for her to cook for you and keep you happy. She saves money for the pack to be more prosperous. Because she wants you happy. Have you ever done anything at all, since you found out that you were mates, to make her happy? You don’t have to answer me because I already know the answer. She wasn’t “good enough” for you and what you wanted in life, so you rejected her. She has been living here, in pain, but loving you so much that she bears it. You destroyed her over the years and now you are getting your payback for it. Unfortunately for your Luna’s, they were both collateral damage. In her mind, you forced her into doing this. With your track record, I imagine the pain of your betrayal drove her crazy. I can think of no other reason why she wouldn’t have left your sorry a*s. You might have kept her here to keep you strong, what did you do? Alpha Command her to stay? Or did she stay because you were her whole world, and had nowhere else to go? I almost wish we didn’t get here in time as far as I am concerned, you deserve to die for all you have done to her” I told him. I am worked up, as I knew in my heart what had happened when we got here. She finally realized that he was never going to accept their bond, and if she couldn’t finally have him, she was going to take him with her.

“How do you know this? Did she tell you? Is that where you have been, talking to my people? I did not agree with my pack members being questioned. I want you all to leave, now” Jasper tells me and starts to try to mindlink. I am sure that he is attempting to contact his Beta, but the Beta was already told what was going on. He was also instructed to hold a brief 20-minute meeting and to keep Cassidy there for the whole time. One of our warriors went with them so he could link Tanner when they were leaving the meeting. We had to set up some cameras to document what Cassidy was about to do. We have to have proof, even if I completely understand why she did what she did.

“Don’t bother to try to link your Beta, he is in the middle of a meeting right now, as we needed to get the proof that we need for her to have her trial by the Werewolf Council. She will have to atone for her crimes. She has hurt a lot of people with her actions, and she will probably end up being put to death for it. Do I have to spell it out for you Jasper? Seriously, you are an Alpha, how did you not know that she killed your first two Luna’s? They died from the same thing, as a matter of fact, you had been investigated for the deaths, but there was no proof. Both Carrie and Jasmine’s families have suffered all these years knowing that their daughters had been killed and they wanted justice for them. Stephanie is now suffering from it, and now you are too. Isn’t that a surprise? I really

have to wonder what happened here to cause her to finally want to kill you this time. I am going to go out on a limb and say it was because you let Stephanie do something that really pissed her off, well that is besides sleeping with Stephanie. She waited until about three weeks ago. Can you think of a reason that she would be finally be triggered enough for her to finally, after all this time, want to kill you?" I asked him in a mocking tone, and I can see it all over his face when he finally figured out what tipped her over the edge.

"Cassidy is trying to kill me?" Jasper asked with shock in his voice. I am quite sure he is shocked, he has punished her for a decade with no retribution, no pushback. I imagine he thought he could do this for the rest of his life. My stomach turns in disgust at all I imagine he has done to her. I don't condone the murder of innocents, but I would have totally been ok with her taking Jasper out first, instead of his two innocent Luna's. I imagine it would have saved her a lot of pain too.

"Yes Jasper, those flowers in the flower bed that I was asking you about, are actually two highly poisonous plants. Now that you are being poisoned, I am sure she is just done with the whole thing, and is either poisoning herself at a slower rate, or has a plan to take it after you die. Either way, she will be put out of her misery, and I am 100 percent sure that she has been punished greatly all these years having you as a mate. But we will have what we need soon. Don't bother trying to link again Jasper because it is a waste of time. I have no idea how long you have been badly ill, but your Beta has been at your side the whole time, right? You have been poisoned with Belladonna, and Wolfsbane, so you won't be able to mindlink until you are healed. It is still in your system and will be for a few days, so you won't be able to warn Cassidy either" I tell him and watch as his face gets whiter and whiter. He is worried about Cassidy now. What an a*s, where was this concern for her the last decade. I stand up with disgust all over my face. I am trying to calm myself, but it is hard.

"We will be back later after we speak to Cassidy. We need her to go on record with her own story. After that, we will see what charges we can tack onto you. You are culpable in your Luna's deaths too, in certain circumstances. I have to say that I am praying to the Goddess that we can make sure that you get stripped of your title that you care so much about. You could have done the right thing, but you didn't want to. In your attempt to be more than the high position of Alpha that you were already given, you wanted more. You didn't care who you hurt to do it and then set your sights on the prize you wanted. Now I need to go and make sure that Peyton doesn't get hurt as she is the one who has to stick her neck out to get Cassidy to tip her hand. I will be angry if something happens to her here. I told him before turning on my heel and leaving the room with Teresa.

We told the four warriors outside the door to make sure he doesn't leave the room. Two of them were from Blood Rose, and the other two were the King's personal guards. We needed Jasper to be secured while we get this finished. I will take no chances on her getting hurt, but we need this to play out as we planned it to. I will be glad to get this over with, for Peyton's sake, because she has suffered enough.

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Peyton's POV

Dark Savage pack

I am nervous, but I already know that I just don't need to eat or drink anything that Cassidy gives me. I had seen her earlier in the kitchen when we passed through to go to the meeting room, and she seemed nice. I smiled at her, and she gave me a real smile back. You can tell that she takes pride in her kitchen and the garden area. It is immaculate and the food that she was cooking smelled amazing. No one else in the pack was sick except for Stephanie, and Jasper, so she probably has a stash somewhere here in the kitchen that she uses to poison their specific meals. The kitchen is huge, the pantry alone is 12×12, and it is full. The kitchen is about 35 feet long and at least 22 feet wide, and she has homey touches all through it. You can tell the love that she has for this kitchen and her pack in how thoughtful she was in planning it. I know what Gabi suspected, but none of us know what her story is, and it is my job to strike up a conversation with her, to see if we can find out why she did what she did.

She made the kitchen her own, and the details in it, and the layout of it, showed me that she was a bright and thoughtful person. She knew what it took to get large meals made and out there to be served while they were still hot for the pack members that ate here. Clearly, she is a planner, and I was truly impressed with what she has done here in this kitchen. I know that I am going to have to talk to her and befriend her, and I feel terrible at having to deceive her, but she has killed two innocent women. They didn't do anything to her, they never knew who she was to Jasper, that was all him. The Luna's didn't do anything wrong to deserve what they got. It was my job to come in here after the meeting and strike up a conversation with her. The three cameras that had been set up here were not noticeable at all. The tech had come in this morning from my dad's pack, and he was used to having to get this type of thing set up for him when they go in to do investigations at other packs. Dad is a firm believer in cameras. They don't blink, they don't take sides, they just show you what happened. Now they can be edited, but the recording and time stamp will always show what happened from start to finish and show any evidence of tampering on it. The kitchen smelled delicious filled with the scent of roasting chicken. There were pans in all of the oven's cooking and they had obviously been put in before the women had gone to the meeting.

The meeting had let out about 10 minutes ago, and it was 3 pm now. They were all hard at work in the kitchen, and there were two long islands in the kitchen, They had seating on one side and were 6 feet wide, so there was a ledge for stools to be slid under on the other side. There were large stovetops on each one, with 6 burners on each of them, and a sink on the other end of the island. They also had 3 ovens built into the wall for baking and cooking dinner, and then two full stoves with a prep area between them for extra burners

and ovens as this was a pretty big pack, and getting meals out while they were still warm was tough. It takes planning to be successful at this, and I would know since I spent most of my time helping out in the kitchen at Blood Claw. The ladies here had a plan of attack and were clearly well-oiled machines in their actions. They were moving about and not in each other's way as they moved around the kitchen. They had a large commercial refrigerator on one wall filled with drinks and a second one that was filled with the food that they were going to be cooking that was near the stove tops and ovens. I see a large industrial freezer that was built into another corner, and it was 10×10.

I go grab water with Percy and he gives me a heated kiss before he goes to exit the kitchen with his bottle of water. He is worried for me, but I know if I need him he will be here quickly. They have a third island, that is a lot smaller with a marble top on it, and I know that is where they will make their pie crusts, biscuits, and other pastries as the dough doesn't stick to the marble. I see that they are using plastic utensils to keep from damaging them when they make their cuts in the dough. The other counters are all granite and have a nice pattern to them as well, they aren't an exact match but complement each other well. I sat there watching them working as a team together and I felt bad because I wasn't helping. I help at Ever Green, and after about 10 minutes went to ask Cassidy if I could help. I see her looking at me, sizing me up, and then saying, "Sure, what can you do?"

"Whatever you need to be done. I worked in the kitchen at Blood Claw for the last 6 and a half years before I ran away" I told her, and I see surprise light in her eyes, before leading me to the island. I see a cutting board and a knife sitting there beside a large pile of potatoes, carrots, celery, and onions. I can see the two ladies working on pie crusts on the marble table and cutting out uniform sections to be made into crusts. "Chicken pot pie tonight?" I asked her, and she grinned at me and walked away knowing that I knew what I needed to do for her. I went over and washed my hands before sitting down and starting to cut up the vegetables. By helping them with cutting up the vegetables, it freed up one of the other ladies to go and start rolling out the dough in the area between the ladies still mixing up another batch of batter and getting them set into the 9×13 pans. I kept chopping and putting it into a huge bowl that Cassidy had placed next to me until I was complete. The door had opened and closed several times, but I stayed focused on my task. I was happy to help, I enjoyed spending time with other women especially with them being so nice to me. These ladies realized that although I may be a ranked wolf now, I hadn't been my whole life, and was able to work alongside them shoulder to shoulder.

I got done and went and took my board and knife to the sink and then went ahead and started loading up the dishwasher on the wall. They had four of them total, one on each long island, and two of them on the long wall. I started loading the two on the wall, as people were still working and cooking on the long island. It was just common sense, but they appreciated the help I was giving them. They nodded at me when I got done, and one of them motioned to the area under the sink where I was still standing so I could load the tablet and start the wash cycle. I looked at Cassidy who had a faint smile on her face to see if I needed to do anything else and she shook her head no for right now. I took up my water and took a sip and watched them continue to work. Cassidy was very impressive and moved from area to area, checking on the other ladies, and helping them if they fell

behind. The vegetables that I had done were already boiling and now in the creamy mixture, ready for the chicken to be added. The chickens were being deboned by two women now. Two of the other ladies were chopping up the chicken for the mixture. They worked down the line as they got things ready for the pot pies to go into the oven. Cassidy impresses me, and I was glad she allowed me to help them.

She sits down next to me drinking her own water, and said, “We will be icing the desert if you want to help later, it is just 4 o’clock.” They are actually ahead of time, I guess because I freed up one of the team members to be able for them to get ahead. “So, you said worked in the kitchen at Blood Claw. You don’t strike me as an Omega though” Cassidy tells me, and I can’t help but wince at the reminder. Posted by Jobnib.com; visit us for more free novels.

“Yes, when the Luna of Blood Claw was killed, I was blamed for it, even though I had no part in it. I was demoted from warrior to basically the pack slave. I was picked on and abused for years because of it. I finally left after finding out that the Alpha’s son, Timothy, was my mate. He rejected me calling me weak and unworthy, but I wasn’t. He just had someone that he was going to make his chosen mate. He knew that I was his mate after he turned 18, and he left me there, to continue to be abused. It got worse, and I was almost killed, he left me there knowing what would happen to me, even letting his chosen mate make my life even worse than it was. I accepted his rejected and left that night. It had already been planned out, thankfully, so I didn’t have to see his face anymore. He actually thought that I would take him back, after what he knowingly did to me. He cheated on me numerous times, and his chosen mate was a spiteful, nasty she-wolf. Thankfully, I got a second chance mate, Percy. I love him very much. Funny story, Stephanie was at his pack and was trying everything she could to be his Luna. It was an unpleasant surprise to see her here. She is not a good person” I told her.

I watched Cassidy’s expression change several times while I told her my story. She could hear the pain, and anger in my voice as I relayed what had happened to me at Blood Claw. She felt bad for me, and she seemed like she felt a connection with me from it. I could see tears shining in her eyes from hearing what I told her, and it hit me. Alpha Jasper was her mate, and she has had to deal with the same thing that I did, but for much longer than I did. I reached out and held her hand. I felt the need to comfort her. I know why she did what she did, and I am not condoning it, but I feel her pain as she fights to keep the tears from escaping her eyes. She loses the fight and immediately pulls away from me and exits the kitchen. She comes back a few minutes later with her eyes red and goes back to work with her back toward me.

One of the other ladies who had heard what I had told Cassidy sits down next to me and tells me of her rejection. What is it with men not accepting of the mate bond, especially with Omegas? What does our rank have to do with who we are as a person, it infuriates me. Why can’t people be glad that they have someone who loves them, for them? That will love and accept them wholeheartedly. We speak for a little while and Cassidy come to us 15 minutes later with a big bowl of cream cheese icing for us to use to put on the cakes that she had made earlier today. Desserts are usually cooked after lunch is done, especially if we are having cakes for dessert. It gives them time to cool off before they are

frosted, and the cakes being so fresh, makes them taste even better. I start frosting with the Omega I was talking to, and her name is Aubrey. She is a sweet girl with large brown eyes and long brown hair pulled into a ponytail. I can tell that she is a gentle soul, and my heart breaks for her. She also turned 20 last month, just like me, and is still waiting on someone who will love her forever. She was rejected a few months after her 18th birthday. I was glad she had accepted it, because from what she was saying he is a warrior here, and not tied down to one woman. She would have been in a lot of pain if she hadn't accepted it.

We get the cake that we were working on done, and then Cassidy smoothly puts the next ones down for us to frost. We worked together well and get all eight of them frosted, they were three-layer cakes and they looked beautiful under the domed glass over them. Cassidy had cut them into 16 pieces each, as these were large cakes, and most wolves don't have a sweet tooth, but an occasional treat is good. Cassidy then brings over a single layer that they had made, and my eyes lit up. I wanted to try the cake, I had never seen one of them before. We iced it and Cassidy cuts it into 8 slices for us and lets us try it. I know that she could have done something to it, but I have seen the love and care she has for her team, and she wouldn't poison them, plus she got a piece too. I gave a moan at the taste of it. It is moist and delicious, and I looked over at Cassidy in surprise. "What kind of cake is this? It is delicious. I would love the recipe" I tell her. She blushes at the compliment, and she goes over to get the recipe for me.

"It is a Hummingbird cake. My grandmother in Mississippi made it when I was little before we came here to California with my dad. I like it too, it is very moist, and who doesn't love a good cream cheese frosting?" she tells me with her eyes sparkling with pride as she lets me get a picture of the recipe and the instructions on how to cook it on the back of it.

"I am so going to make this when I get back to Ever Green. Thank you for sharing it with me. I have to say that your hand is in everything in this kitchen. It is so thoughtfully laid out, for the work to get done, without tripping over anyone. I also liked how you had your herbs growing in containers on the patio outside. You have made the perfect kitchen and I am so impressed by you Cassidy" I told her in complete honesty.

The door opens and my dad puts his head into the room, "Peyton, can you come here for a minute? I need to speak with you." Well crap, I forgot why I was here, and it wasn't to become besties with Cassidy. I know what he is going to say, and it also did something else. Cassidy and Aubrey had both stiffened up when he appeared in the doorway. Everyone knew who he was, and he made people fearful. "OK dad," I tell him and get off the stool. I can see the confusion on their faces, and I tell them that I will be right back before I exit the kitchen. I can hear them talking before the door swings shut behind me and I followed dad back to the meeting room.

"I already know what you are going to say dad, but I like her. I know that her story is the same as mine, well minus the Alpha King being her dad. I was trying to build a bond, I guess because I feel bad about tricking her. But I will get it straight now. She probably wants to kill me anyway after she thought that I had lied to her about my story. I will go

back and give them the whole story, and I am quite sure when she realizes who I am, she might want to kill me herself. I am sure the whole pack knew his plans to take me. I have got it, I won't fail you" I told him, and he sighed before speaking again.

"You haven't failed me. We were just worried about you because you ate something she cooked. It is the families of those girls who died that we are trying to help now. Giving them closure and an explanation of why their daughter died. We can't bring them back, but we can punish their killer. They didn't deserve what happened to them, and you can't let your guard down. We are all worried about you Peyton" my father told me, and I can tell that he is worried about me.

"She didn't make the cakes, Aubrey told me she did. I watched her make the frosting and it was fine too. Nothing funny put in it. Plus no one else is sick here, and she clearly loves her team of Omegas. She will not hurt them, or the pack. She is just punishing people who she believes deserve it. I will get this done dad, I won't drink or eat anything from now on" I told him, and he kisses the top of my head.

Percy walks up and gives me a kiss, and Jerry who was walking by me stopped and backed up to take a sniff off me. Percy gives a growl of warning at him, and Jerry backs up and puts his hands up. "It is not her, but she had a delicious smell on her. Maybe my mate is here. I would like to go into the kitchen after this is over to see if I can find her" Jerry told the group. He had sniffed my left side, and I had only been around Cassidy and Aubrey. I nod to him, we will get that done after we take care of this problem first. I set my shoulders and head back into a far different situation than it had been earlier.

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Percy's POV

Dark Savage pack

Watching my love in there, knowing that Cassidy was with a cold-blooded murderer was stressful. She could potentially do anything to my mate, and I am on alert as at the first sign of her being attacked or hurt, I will be there. I hate that this was the best option for confronting Cassidy, but I had to admit it was our only option. We needed evidence of what she had been doing, and where she hid the poison. We would have to turn that huge kitchen upside down to find it any other way, and it could be anywhere in the packhouse. Time is of the essence here, so that was why after a discussion the Alpha King was sent in. We knew that it would trigger the group, and it would cause them to not trust her, and think that she had been lying to them if she said she had been a servant, and then ended up being the daughter of the Alpha King. It was not optimal for her, but we needed to force Cassidy's hand, and this was the way to do it.

Her attitude had already changed about Peyton and not in a good way. She was angry, probably thinking that Peyton was just a huge liar. But Peyton had not lied to them. She just hadn't given them enough of the story for Cassidy to want to try to hurt Peyton. Now she did, and I was intentionally listening in along with Heath, my parents, King Sebastian, and the two Council members. We were listening to the live stream, while it was recording. Two audio speakers had been put in, one each right under the big islands, on the seat side, that was why Peyton kept sitting in the seats. The audio was the tougher part to put in, but he only did a temporary set-up and that was part of why they needed them to be tied up for 20 minutes, plus going there and back. The tech had brought in the audio speakers with him in his second suitcase. He had one suitcase, and Heath had brought the other in. It looked like they were just bringing in regular suitcases, and no one had even looked at them twice for it. Cassidy was obviously agitated now, and she was clearly going to confront Peyton when she returned. It was what was needed to happen, but speaking as her mate, it really scared me. This woman is a killer, and my mate, the love of my life was in there unprotected with her.

I watch as Peyton re-enters the room, and she is met with absolute silence. I see Cassidy stiffen up and then turn around to look at Peyton. Cassidy then said, "You didn't have to lie to us. You made that whole story up. We thought you were one of us and understood what some of us have gone through and you haven't. Do you think it is funny to make fools of us? Do you? To treat us like we don't matter, or have no feelings? How dare you come in here and try to pretend like you know anything about us. I want you to leave my kitchen, I don't want you in here any longer. I feel like an i***t for trusting you and allowing you to be in here. Did you have a good laugh with your father at our expense? Well, fun time is over now, get out of here" Cassidy told her, and she is spitting venom in her voice, she is past angry and the whole kitchen is tense.

"I didn't lie to any of you. I just told you about my experience. I can tell you the full story if you want to hear it, but I was an Omega at Blood Claw. I didn't lie about what happened to me there, I just didn't tell you how it was tied into us arriving here, at Dark Savage" Peyton tells the Omegas, and I see that Cassidy's interest is piqued. She wants to know how Peyton is tied into Dark Savage, and I bet she will remember when it happened almost 7 years ago.

"My father is indeed the Alpha King. When I was 13 a visiting Alpha to our pack saw me heal a bird who had flown into the window and broken its neck. When he saw me heal the bird, he decided that he wanted me for my power, and wanted to claim me as his Luna. He did this because he wanted to try to get himself placed in line to take the throne from my dad when he retired. I was not his mate, but he wanted me despite that" Peyton started out speaking and they surrounded her as they all wanted to hear her story. Peyton tells them everything, and I mean everything, including what Stephanie did to her at Ever Green. No stone was left unturned as she went through all of it, from beginning to end. You could tell that she was telling the truth, the inflection in her voice, and her emotions coming to the surface when she got to a particularly stressful event. I could see Cassidy's face as Peyton tells them the cold hard truth. She knew that Peyton was telling them the truth.

I could see it when she thought back and remembered Jasper making those plans. Him sending a team to extract Peyton, and then the team not returning. She was mad that Jasper was trying to take a 13-year-old girl. He never gave her an age, just that he had found his next Luna. I watch with interest at the expressions crossing her face. I could see her feel bad for Peyton, over all the pain and suffering that she went through, all because of Jasper. I started praying that she would end up saying something that we could use against him in his trial. I also see that she was mad at Jasper for coming to try to get her three weeks ago. They knew a lot of men left here, and some didn't return. Jasper and his Beta had lied to the whole pack as to the reason why. I could tell exactly when she realized that he did that to get Peyton back here, for her to be the next Luna. I know that she can see a little bit of Peyton's mark showing from where her collar is on her shirt. She knows that Peyton is fully marked and mated, to me, but her jealousy of Jasper wanting her is clear to us. She is angry, but she is getting angry at the wrong person.

This was all decided and carried out by Jasper in his messed-up mind. He knew she belonged to another, that she was never his, and yet in his greed he wanted her. Jasper was the one who should have been punished for the six and a half horrible years that Peyton was mistreated and abused. It was ALL because of him and the fact that Cassidy is making plans for Peyton now, shows just how far from reality she has gone. I had been feeling sorry for her, and I guess I do a little bit still. I have heard about the pain of betrayal. My mother told me that it was some of the worst pain that she has ever felt. She is including childbirth and the time that she was grazed by a bullet by a rogue during elite training a long time ago. I cannot imagine the pain of rejection, how it affects you so much, and makes you wish for death. I guess ten years of that happening probably will mess you up in the head, I did feel sorry for her, but the second she acts against my mate, she won't get an ounce of sympathy from me.

I see the other Omegas in the room, some crying, some stunned at her being the daughter of the Alpha King, and yet not able to escape the torment that she was living with at Blood Claw. The feeling of being alone because of the spell that she was under, allowed her to think that she had no one. Her not having anyone she could ever trust or depend on, at least this team of women had each other and were never as alone as Peyton was. Almost the whole pack was against her, and they had never experienced the amount of trouble that Peyton had. You could tell how sympathetic they were about what she had gone through. She had me getting upset too, reliving her most traumatic moments, and I made the list because of what I exposed her to with Stephanie. I will make sure that she gets punished too in all of this if it is the last thing I do. She set her sights on me and lured me in, I was an i***t and if I could take it back, or have a do-over, I would do it in a heartbeat.

The timers start going off, and the ovens are all turned off. The buffet is then set up because it is almost 5 o'clock now, and the start of dinner. Four of the large pot pies were put on the serving line and the sides were set out as well. That way four lines can move at the same time because no matter what the dinner is, the same things are on each line, making the line move quickly. The other 8 trays of pot pies were put in the warmers, along with the sides for them to be refilled as needed. The kitchen had cleared out as the omegas went to get it all ready and made sure all the plates, napkins, and utensils were

full and ready to go as it was now almost time to eat. It left just Peyton and Cassidy in the kitchen and the perfect time for Cassidy to strike. I wanted to be in the hallway, just outside the kitchen, but I might get seen by an Omega, who would in turn tell Cassidy.

Cassidy sits down next to Peyton and gives her a long look. She then said, "I am very sorry for all that you went through, Peyton. I am sorry I called you a liar, it is just that people don't usually tell us the truth, or value us as they should. I myself have gone through the pain of rejection. I met him when I was young, he was gorgeous, and I loved him instantly. He was my first, and my only. After we mated, I waited on him to mark me, only to be told I wasn't good enough for him. He said wanted his strength to rise, and not get weaker by having me as his mate. He crushed my heart telling me that his wolf, Bain, was the one who wanted me, or else he would have never slept with me, in the first place. His looking at me in disgust tore my heart in two. He used to sleep with me often because his wolf begged him to do it, but after a while, he wouldn't touch me anymore. He has cheated on me hundreds of times. He never cared about me, not like he was supposed to. Hurting me to my core with all the women he was with, flaunting them in my face. He wanted to make me leave here, to drive me out with betrayal after betrayal. He wanted me to accept his rejection and get out of his pack. He acted like he couldn't wait for me to get out of Dark Savage. I had been here for years, and was helping him do everything here, he lost his Luna, and I took up the slack. Nothing I did was ever good enough for him though, his continued disregard for me and my feelings are crushing me. He could have stabbed me with a knife, and it would have hurt less than each betrayal did."

We can all feel her pain as we watch her speaking to Peyton on the screen. Her words showed us how much torment she has been in for years. The toll it has taken on her showed as she told Peyton how much pain she had been in throughout, knowing that Jasper was her mate, and he never wanted her. She should have just accepted the rejection. I could tell from what she said, and reading between the lines, she always thought she could get him to love her. She did everything just how he liked it, to please him, to make him love her. When mom got back here to the meeting room, we listened to the recording of their conversation with Jasper, while the ladies worked in the kitchen without talking. He dodged the question and was upset that mom figured it out. I didn't care who my mate was because my parents, and grandparents, always told me that they were special because they were your perfect complement. Chosen especially for you because they were exactly who you needed for a mate.

I thought Peyton WAS an Omega when I went searching for her. That is who I was told she was, and I wanted her. It wasn't about rank for me, it was about the fact that she was meant to be mine, and what I needed to make me complete, and be a good Alpha. She is perfect, but even if she had been an Omega, I still would want her. It is not about wealth or power for me. It is about who you are on the inside, and how you treat others, and Peyton loves and cares for our pack members, even the ones who made her arrival there rocky. She is the definition of a Luna, she has class, style, and grace, but she had to live as if she was the lowest-ranked person in the pack there. She is the epitome of perfection for me, and I have loved her from the moment I scented her in that kitchen at Blood Claw. I didn't want her because she was the Alpha King's daughter. I wanted her because her scent drove me wild because she was my true mate. I will always be glad that Timothy

was so petty that he invited me there to rub my nose in him getting his Luna first because if I hadn't gone there, I might have missed out on my perfect woman. I shake myself because I am getting lost in memories, and I need to focus now. They are alone in the kitchen and if I were going to do something to someone, this would be when I would try it.

"I am so sorry you had to deal with that, Cassidy. I hate that he wasn't smart enough to want you with him as his Luna. I know what that pain feels like to be rejected, and when Timothy rejected me, I was quick to accept it, but that may have been because of how he treated me for years. It wasn't the same as you had to deal with. I wanted to be free from him and to get the hell out of that pack for my own safety and well-being. I knew that nothing good could be coming from staying with him, and I learned that lesson quickly. I would like to think that you could have found your second chance mate out there Cassidy. You are a good person, and I think anyone would have been glad to have you as their mate" Peyton tells her, and I see tears sliding down Cassidy's face.

"You are wrong Peyton. I am so sorry that you had to go through that. I remember Jasper starting that and us losing the former Beta, our best tracker, and our best warrior when he sent them to get you from that pack. I remember serving lunch at a meeting that they had right before they left, and not knowing what was going on, but hearing bits and pieces from them as they spoke. Jasper started all of this because he was greedy. He had dreams of becoming the next Alpha King. Dreams that didn't include me at his side, because I was not going to be a good Luna Queen. I am not a good person. In my pain and anguish at feeling Jasper betraying me over and over again, and giving not one, but two other women my place in the pack, and in his heart away. I just lost myself. I tried, believe me, I tried to become what he wanted. I have changed everything about myself, from my appearance, to how I dress, and how I speak. I did everything he wanted, all in an effort to make him want me, to love me. I did it all for him, and he has never treated me with love or respect. The Goddess got it wrong, and I was so angry for so long that she picked him for me, knowing that it could never end well for me. That was why I never broke the bond. I just assumed that I deserved the punishment, so I just kept accepting it. I did things that I am very sorry about now. I punished the wrong people when it should have been him all along. He was the reason for all my pain, but I murdered innocents in trying to make him feel the same pain that he made me feel" Cassidy said and then went and filled up the tea kettle, putting it on the stove to boil.

"Cassidy, we have all done wrong before. You were out of your mind with the pain of what all he did for you. I think if you just told someone, the whole story, that yes you would be punished, but then you could go on with your life and maybe find a second chance mate. I think you deserve to be loved and taken care of yourself, for once. There are good men out there, and I want that for you. I want you to be happy, you are still young, and you could still have a family. Jasper is more to blame in this than anyone. I think if you told them what all had happened, the werewolf council can help you, and then Jasper can get what he deserves too. He needs to be punished for what he has done, to you, and to me. He is the main reason that I had to experience all those years of abuse because my parents tried to hide me to protect me. I lost time with my parents, and my brothers. Do not forget that I have two brothers, what do you think that he would have

done in his effort to try to become the next Alpha King? He couldn't let them live, he would have had to have killed them both. He shouldn't get off scot-free for all of his evil plans. Plans that have cost innocent people to lose their lives, my security detail, Luna Victoria, the team he sent to take me, and the men that lost their lives when Jasper ambushed us a few weeks ago. I swear I will go with you to speak to the Council, or my father if you are willing to speak out" I heard Peyton tell Cassidy.

I hear the teakettle start to boil, and I watch as Cassidy gets a small container from the top shelf of a cabinet that is near the back door. I can see a mortar and pestle sitting on the high cabinet next to the small white container. Cassidy had to get up on a footstool to get it, and she was 5'10" tall, so she was careful about who could get their hands on the container. I watch as she gets a stainless steel tea ball to steep a cup of tea, and puts a large amount of what was in the sealed container into the ball too steep. I know that it is the poisonous blend that Cassidy had created. I am nervous, is that cup of tea for Peyton? Or herself? I am ready to head to the kitchen to stop Cassidy when my mom reaches out and stops me. "I will go, Percy, let me," my mom tells me. I watch as she leaves the meeting room, my mom might be less intimidating than I am, but Cassidy is a murderer. I need mom and Peyton to be safe in there, I hope that they can talk some sense into her, and help her come to the right decision.

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Peyton's POV

Dark Savage pack

I was getting nervous, clearly, she has gotten her poison blend out, and it is mixed with black tea. The tea is all that I can smell in it, and that explains why they drank it. I am sure with milk and sugar in it, you probably wouldn't taste anything funny at all in it. I watch as she sets up one cup, and I never asked for tea, so I am assuming that it is for her. I do know that if she puts it in front of me, I will NOT be drinking it. But I feel sadness, and shame, rolling off of her. She feels like everything is hopeless now, she knows that after she told me her story, she is now exposed. Even without knowing that she is being recorded, I was still a little nervous about what was going to happen. Was she going to force the drink down my throat?

She never admitted to exactly how she murdered them, so she may still be thinking that I might be dumb enough to take a drink from her. I watched as she took the full steeper out of the cup and goes to the trash to empty it then went to wash the steeper ball. She had a pattern down. Because she also had a bucket in here at the end of the counter near the back door that she had told me earlier was her compost for the garden. It had eggshells and coffee grounds from this morning, and the peelings, and tops, from the carrots, and onion waste. She had told me that she would go out each night after dinner and spread the

compost out next to the area where she had stopped with the compost on the previous day. She was careful to make sure that she threw away the poisoned tea leaves in the trash. She was not a completely crazed killer, she loved her pack, and didn't want them to get hurt. She only had killed the people that she felt had wronged her, only realizing too late that it had been Jasper to cause her all of her pain, not Carrie and Jasmine. There was nothing that we can do about that now. She will have to deal with the ramifications of her actions and pray that the Council can see why she did what she did. I know that I could, and I hope that they will give sixty percent of the blame to the man who deserved it, Jasper.

He took an innocent young woman, who at the time was probably younger than I am now, took advantage of her, and after using her, tried to get rid of her. All because he wanted more; more power, more respect, and more women in his life. He had never been faithful to his Luna's either. He had women on the side, including Cassidy, even after he had marked the other women. I think that was what had driven her over the edge. The daily betrayal was bad enough, but for him to mark another she-wolf, was disgusting on his part. It rarely happened in our community, as the betrayal that hits your mate pain hurt bad enough. Marking someone who is not your mate, why you still have a bond with another in effect, could kill them. So, Jasper doing that was the equivalent of him not being able to shake her away from him, so he tried to kill her to get rid of her. He should have known that her being strong enough to survive it once, let alone twice, makes her a truly strong woman. I am going to point this out to the Council, as I want to defend her actions. She must have been out of her mind when she poisoned them, as both deaths had happened just a few months after the Luna ceremony was held and the Luna's marked by Jasper.

I heard the door open, and Gabi walked in, and she was less threatening than normal, as she was not wearing her gun. She usually had the holster on her at all times, until it was time for bed, or she was in for the night. She smiled at both of us with a big smile and then headed over to grab a bottle of water before coming to sit down next to me. Cassidy didn't leave Dark Savage, but she may have still heard about her from the talk she heard. Especially from Jasper, or Stephanie, as they both hated her. This could go either way, and I don't know what Gabi is about to do, but I am sure that after seeing her make up the tea, they all thought that Cassidy was going to give it to me.

"Cassidy, this is Gabi, she is going to be my mother-in-law," I told Cassidy. She turns back to me with surprise at Percy making me not just his Luna, but his wife as well. Her eyes fly to my left hand, and she sees the ring sparkling in the light on it. She is both happy and moved to tears. I know that her tears are not all happy tears. I don't want her to think that I am rubbing it in her face, but before I can speak Gabi said, "His father, Tanner, married me as well. The Wright men are very possessive about their mates, and they want even the men in the human world to know that we are taken." Cassidy nods at us, but her eyes are still full of tears. I hate that she is feeling pain because of Percy being engaged to me. She really got the short end of it drawing Jasper as her mate. She deserved a lot better than she got. Cassidy turned back to the sink, most likely to cry without us seeing her.

“I spoke to Jasper today,” Gabi tells me like she was just in there to speak to me. I am surprised, but I will play along. I want to see where she is going with this. I had seen Cassidy’s back stiffen up at hearing Jasper’s name, so I know that she is listening to our conversation.

“Did he admit to anything yet?” I asked and I was very curious about it. I hadn’t been told what had happened as I had come in here to help make dinner and befriend Cassidy. Gabi and Teresa had come through while I was chopping vegetables and I barely caught a glimpse of them as they crossed the room. Cassidy was holding the edge of the sink and trying to not be obvious, but she was still listening to us.

“Not really, he was just angry that I knew as much as I did. He was very upset that he thought that I had gotten my information from his mate. But I had already guessed who his mate was, or at least where she was, by the time we got to the pack hospital” Gabi said, and then turned to look at Cassidy.

Cassidy slowly turned around to look at Gabi, who was looking intently at her, and her expression keeps changing. From anger at Jasper not admitting she was his mate, fear of being caught, wondering how Gabi figured it out, and wanting to know how Jasper was feeling right now, as she still loved him. She finally spoke to us, “His mate?”

“Yes, Cassidy, I already know that you are Jasper’s mate. I am so sorry for all that he has put you through. I want to ask you to speak to the council. I want to help you too. They are here for a reason. It was known that both Jasper’s Luna’s had been murdered. Their bodies were exhumed, we know how, and why. I know that there were special circumstances, and believe me I know the pain of it, It has been over twenty years, and I can still remember that familiar pain taking my very breath away, making me want to not continue on anymore. Knowing that the one who was made for you instead decided to choose another because you were too weak to be his Luna. But my mate was wrong, and your mate was wrong too. Only someone who had been in the same position that you are in knows how bad it is. How it can make you desperate and do something drastic because of it. I can’t tell you that I know all of what you feel. I was able to accept my first mate’s rejection later on, as I passed out from the pain of it when he did actually reject me. I thank the Goddess he never got around to marking his chosen mate while we were still bound. I have heard that is even worse than the pain of the betrayal” Gabi said to her gently. I can feel the pain in Gabi’s voice letting us both know the extent of Cassidy’s pain, and that she understands the why behind Cassidy’s actions.

A few moments passed by with total silence in the room before we both heard Cassidy whisper, “How did you know?”

Gabi glances at the steaming cup of tea and said, “We exhumed the bodies and ran tests. Their families wanted, no they needed, closure in this. They both thought that Jasper had gotten away with murder. He has shown that he doesn’t value other’s lives, in his own actions, over and over again. So, he was the obvious suspect. But we couldn’t get him on it, and it had come as a surprise to him that they had been murdered. He should have figured it out, as their symptoms were the same, as the ones he and Stephanie are dealing

with now. I would like you to tell us, on record, what happened here, and what you know about his plans for Peyton. You were here when it happened, you know what he did to try to get an innocent 13-year-old girl to come here and become his Luna. He was greedy and wrong for it, and there are rules, and laws, in place to try to protect innocents from this type of thing. Jasper KNEW who Peyton was, and that k*****g the Alpha King's daughter was a death sentence. He tried it anyway. He hunted her down and he was the very reason that she ended up at Blood Claw. His men came onto their packlands and fought with her security officer, Nina, and Luna Victoria, and this was the exact reason that she was abused for over six years. Please help us to get him punished for that" Gabi said and looked earnestly at Cassidy.

We both watched her put sugar into the tea and stir it slowly, and then milk into the tea. She wasn't showing any emotions now. She seemed to be watching as the milk swirled around in the cup as they blended together in the cup. She finally looked up and said, "How did you know it was me?" You can tell that Cassidy thought she had covered her tracks. She thought that she would never be found out or be attached to their deaths, and yet here was a woman sitting before her that knew beyond a shadow of a doubt that she had not only done it, but she also knew how.

"I told you we did an autopsy on both Carrie and Jasmine. It came back with poisoning from Belladonna, and Wolfsbane. I saved images and was actively looking for both plants after we arrived. We all noticed them sitting right there, in a beautiful flower garden. So much beauty there, and death. I can tell that you wanted them where you could see them, to protect others from handling them. I am sure if I asked, the other Omegas would tell me that you are very protective of your flower garden but are fine with them in the vegetable garden or around the fruit trees" Gabi told her.

Cassidy has the grace to blush at Gabi's assumption. Gabi already knew based on watching Cassidy for just this short time. Cassidy really cared about her fellow pack members and didn't want anyone to get hurt from the dangerous flowers mixed in with the regular flowers. It was a well-known fact throughout the pack that you were welcome to look at the beautiful flower bed but wouldn't let them not cut or touch the flowers. None of them knew why, but Cassidy was a respected member of the pack, and they were all happy to look at, but not touch anything in her flower bed. She had another area, a rose garden nearby, and they all knew that those could be cut, but the one outside of the kitchen windows had always been off-limits.

"I am Jasper's mate, you are correct Gabi. He never wanted me and refused to mark me. It was only Bain, his wolf, that wanted me, that loved me. We were happy for a little while, but Jasper decided that Bain was too attached to me and refused to sleep with me anymore. I would have loved to have gotten pregnant with a pup, but Jasper kept giving me the morning-after pill because he said I wasn't worthy to carry any part of his line. I wouldn't have told anyone that it was his, and I would have raised the baby well, even if Jasper didn't want me to have his pup" Cassidy said to us, and how he has treated her since finding her is making me want to kill him myself.

He is a monster, an arrogant, hateful monster. I wish that Cassidy had just accepted his rejection and left here, to try to find her second chance mate. Instead of staying here and having to endure so much heartbreak from Jasper. His disloyalty to her was a slap in the face each day for her, and yet she kept trying. Trying to be the mate that she thought he wanted her to be for him. She has had to put up with his unfaithful actions, for way too long. She is completely scarred on the inside, but she is still beautiful on the outside. For her to still have love and compassion for others is almost unbelievable to me. She should have just withdrawn into herself until her wolf finally went mad, and then deteriorated away. I think that her wolf fought for her this whole time. Wanting to give her time to come to the decision of leaving Jasper and finding a better place. Maybe a chance at getting a second chance mate, or at least a chance at love where she is valued and treated with love and care for once.

The kitchen door opens again, and I saw my father standing there, with the Council members standing right behind him. I see Cassidy's head bow in submission and respect for him. Then seeing the Council members right behind him she stiffens up as she knows that with all three of them here, there is a high chance that she is about to be put to death. She has admitted to both me and Gabi what she has done, she doesn't know us well enough to know if she can trust us or not. I see it on her face before she even moves, but I am over 6 feet away from her across the island and can't stop her before she downs the whole cup of tea. I screamed out, "No" as she was doing it, but it is already done. She had put a lot of it in the steeper ball, and I already know that she just gave herself a massive dose. This was probably her whole plan anyway. She no longer wanted to live with the guilt and shame of killing two innocents. She also didn't want to continue with all the adulterous and unloyal actions that Jasper had put her through. She was done here with this life and was probably only hoping for another chance somewhere down the line if the Goddess chose to give her that blessing.

It is a matter of time now, but I can't let her die. I care about her, and I want her to live. I run to her side, and she gave me a hug, and a smile, and said, "Peyton, I am sorry. I don't want to live with this pain anymore. I need to fix this with the Goddess, and this was my only option. I need to make amends to Carrie and Jasmine's families. It is only fair that I die the same way that they did."

Large tears are running down my face for the woman in front of me that thought that the only course of action that she had was to poison her own self. She didn't even wait to see what the Council members, or my father, were going to say to her. Or if Jasper was more culpable in what happened because he drove her to it with his heinous actions. She took so much of it, that it is now working very quickly through her system. She drops to her knees onto the floor, and she is already having a great deal of difficulty breathing. She tried to smile at me as she struggles to breathe as if to tell me that she is OK, and accepts this as her punishment. She is concerned about me being so upset for her, she is not a bad person, and I dropped to my knees as well. I needed to save her. I feel compelled to save her. I know that she needs me to help her, even though she never asked. I know that she thought that this was her punishment, so I looked to my father, then to Council Leader Miller, and finally to Council Member Phillips. I can see that she is crying and overcome with emotion for Cassidy.

“Before I heal her, tell me what your plans are for her. I don’t feel like she needs too much more punishment because of what that a*s had done to her for a decade. I don’t want to bring her back if all she has to look forward to is sitting in a cell for the rest of her life” I tell them, and I don’t think I have even had this type of hard tone before in speaking with people. I am furious at his disregard for her, and I need to know that she will be allowed to try to live a happy life if I can save her.

“Save her Peyton, we were coming in to tell her that we just wanted to talk to her. I should have had Tanner link Gabi to be able to grab the cup, but I never thought that she would just drink it without provocation to do so” my father tells me, and Leader Miller nods in agreement. I feel a hand on my back and turn to see Percy with me. Good, because I am going to need all the strength in me, to fix this.

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Percy’s POV

Dark Savage pack

I came into the kitchen with my dad and Heath, after we watched in horror as Cassidy just picked up the teacup and downed it all at once. She didn’t even know what they were going to say to her. She was just so overcome with guilt at what she had done, that she didn’t want to live anymore. The Council had been speaking with King Sebastian about what options they had for Cassidy and I was glad that Council Member Phillips had experience in this. Council Member Phillips had been rejected and knew the pain that Cassidy and my mom had talked about. She knew what kind of toll it took on you. She had cried hearing what Jasper had done to her. The pain that Cassidy went through, and even though she didn’t know the pain of having your mate mark another, she has done hundreds of investigations as a member of the Council. She knew what kind of trauma the rejected mate felt when that happened. She said that it was the ultimate betrayal.

I could feel how upset Peyton was though out bond. She is heartbroken, and she wanted to try to help Cassidy and was asking them if there was a reason for her to do it. We all knew what she was asking, and I am glad that he father told her quickly to save her. I think that with each passing moment we are losing her. Peyton had me help her lay Cassidy on her back on the floor. Cassidy gives Peyton another smile and whispers, “I am sorry, Peyton” before she slumps to the floor.

Peyton goes to work quickly. She puts her hands on Cassidy and she is concentrating so hard. Her eyes are now closed, and she has Cassidy’s limp hands in hers. She took a lot of poison at one time, and I know that Peyton has her work cut out for her, as I don’t see Cassidy breathing anymore. Cassidy is lying still on the floor, and I look up and across the bar to where my mother sits with a horrified look on her face, and my dad is right behind

her with his hands on her shoulders and his head on the top of hers. He is trying to wrap her up, so he can provide comfort to her, and I don't know if I need to do that for Peyton or not. I don't know if my providing comfort to Peyton will help her or hamper her while she is trying to heal Cassidy.

I looked at King Sebastian, who is currently standing and watching over Peyton as she tries to take the poison from Cassidy. He feels my gaze and looks at me, he knows I need to ask him something, so I just blurt out, "Does Queen DeAnna get strength from you while she is doing this? Will it help Peyton, or hurt her, if I try to give her my strength and comfort?"

"I don't know, usually DeAnna is healing, not bringing them back from the dead. I will have to ask her" King Sebastian said, and then his eye glazed over to mindlink Queen DeAnna. We all wait breathlessly for his answer, and I see Peyton start to glow. I know she is using so much of her power right now. She is so focused on what she is doing, and I have never seen her do anything like this. She is radiating so much power as she tries to heal Cassidy.

"She may need you to help her, Percy. DeAnna is on her way with Christian right now. They are bringing the helicopter to get her quickly, it should only take about 15 minutes for them to arrive. We need to get some flares ready for them at a flat surface for them to land" King Sebastian said. I quickly get behind Peyton and took in a deep breath before I put my arms around her waist and laid my chest against her back.

I heard gasps around the room, but I kept my eyes closed and just focused on giving Peyton the support she needs while she does this. I can feel how much she cares for this woman, and if Peyton believes in her, and she is a good judge of character, I have faith in her as well. We stay like this with no one speaking in the room. It is quiet and about 10 minutes later, I hear coughing coming from in front of us. I just keep focusing on Peyton and her needs as I keep my arms tightly wound around her. I am keeping myself calm by taking deep breaths at Peyton's neck. I need her as much as she needs me. I just focus on her, and she is letting me know how much she appreciates me through the bond. I heard the sound of someone getting sick, and I open my eyes to see the tea that Cassidy drank on the floor next to her. Peyton had tilted her head to the side so she wouldn't choke on it, or swallow it again when it was coming up. I loosen my grip on Peyton and watch as Cassidy's eyes flutter open and she seems surprised at waking up.

I guess she would know that she took a massive amount of it, so she knows that she shouldn't be alive. I bet they forgot that Peyton was a healer. I see someone putting down a towel to cover the tea on the floor, and the omegas that had been in the kitchen earlier making dinner earlier had now returned. I bet they were wondering what was going on, I know I would if I hadn't been watching what was happening from the meeting room this whole time. The Omegas all look stunned, and I released Peyton and went to stand up, but my legs are too weak to lift me. I am drained. I decide to wait a minute before I try again. Peyton falls back into me, and I put my legs out to pull her onto my lap. She can't even lift her head from expending her power in order to save Cassidy.

The back door flies open, and I see King Sebastian entering with Queen DeAnna who comes across the room straight to Peyton. Christian is right behind her, also concerned for Peyton. Queen DeAnna wastes no time in dropping down and putting her hands on Peyton. I see the same glow that Peyton had and watched in amazement as she heals Peyton, and I notice that both Peyton and I are glowing with her power. She was helping us both out, but I was just worried about Peyton. I will get my strength back eventually with rest. Peyton did the work, I was just there to support her while she did it. If I can take any of her pain away, I will do it. She is so important to me. I don't think Peyton will even understand the depth of it.

Queen Deanna stands after a minute, and she smiles down at me. She has a lot of love in her eyes as she looks at Peyton and then me, and said, "My daughter is lucky to have you, Percy. She does know how much you love her. I know you wanted it to be just her being healed, but you gave her what she needed to be able to save this woman. Her strength alone couldn't have done it, as she was dead. It is a lot harder to save someone who is dead, than when they are alive. Much, much harder. You played a part in this, and I felt your love for Peyton. I am so happy the Goddess made you, her mate."

King Sebastian is also smiling at me, as well as her brother Christian. They know that Queen DeAnna was speaking the truth to me. The whole room is looking at us as Cassidy sits up and is then helped up by her team and assisted to a chair, while the rest of them clean up the mess on the floor. I feel Peyton squeezing my hands with hers, and when I looked down at her, she was smiling up at me. She seems fine now, weak, but fine. She puts her hand on the back of my head and pulls my face forward to give me a kiss. I grab the back of her head to deepen the kiss, and I couldn't care less who is watching us. This is my mate, and I love her. They should all know the power of the mate bond, and I am OK with them all knowing that I will do anything to help her, anything.

"DeAnna, I have never seen anything like it. Percy went to help Peyton while she was healing Cassidy. He wrapped his arms around her and then bent to cover her and it was like an explosion of light in here. Peyton's light went from like a dim light to almost blinding us with the brightness of it. I have never had any doubts about Percy's love for Peyton after him being so upset in my office and wanting to go leave to hunt for her, even while thinking she was an Omega. He just wanted her, for her. I am pleased with their bond and wish that everyone thought as he did. The Goddess always knows who to put together. If only Jasper had done the same, he would have become a great Alpha. Instead, he decided that he deserved more than the Goddess wanted for him. His planning and treachery will be his downfall, and we need to go take care of that very soon. Cassidy, we were not here to pass judgment on you. We could all tell that you have been dealing with the guilt of your actions this whole time. Council Member Phillips has done extensive work on the trauma associated with your mate marking another, while still bound to you. It is amazing that you managed to survive the first time, let alone the second. It is undocumented and completely unheard of that happening to another she-wolf. I am quite sure that your pain caused a break and although you did commit crimes, we know that you were driven to it, by him, on both occasions. You have suffered so much in the last 10 years, and we will not be punishing you any further. But we do need your help" King Sebastian told Cassidy and both of the Council members nodded in agreement.

Cassidy was clearly stunned, and then asked, “What do you need me to do?”

We were all curious as to what they were going to ask, and you could have heard a pin drop in the room while everyone waited to hear what they needed. What does the Alpha King need Cassidy to do, the Omegas in the room were surprised by the most powerful Alpha needing help from an Omega. They were all stunned and happy that they were recognized as being valued and needed. None of the people in the group had treated them badly, and they had all treated them with respect, so they had already decided that whatever needed to be done, they would be helping with it as well.

“We will need you to go and accept Alpha Jasper’s rejection. He has caused you nothing but pain and heartache. He does not deserve to have you here giving him more strength because his mate is here with him. He will also be answering for crimes he has committed. We need you to speak of it, and what you know that he has done. He has done enough wrong, so you don’t have to embellish anything. Just tell us what you know to be true, on the record, and sign statements that it is true as you know it. We will then go and take care of Jasper. I will also be speaking to his Beta, Cameron, to see if he is up to the task of running Dark Savage. As Beta, he will be the one to take over this pack, but if he is the same as Jasper, I don’t want to leave it to him. I have people who can come and take over here if needed. But if you know something that we should know about Cameron, now is the time to tell us. I want you to all be taken care of here, and respected in your own home” King Sebastian told them, and I can see how much they respected him for it. He is showing them all that he really does care, and they all start talking at once, with Cassidy smiling at them.

“I will be glad to tell you what I know, I already mentioned it to Peyton. I felt terrible knowing that he was making plans to take someone, but I didn’t know exactly who they were. I also didn’t know that he was making plans to take a young teenager from her home, let alone that it was the Alpha King’s daughter. He kept that from me, and only the 4 men in the room with him knew the whole story. Jasper has thought himself much more important than other people, and that he was destined to be more than an Alpha. He tried to force that happening, and he deserves what he is about to get. I do not feel bad for him, at all. I will help you in any way that I can, but I do not want to stay here any longer. I don’t have a place to go. I don’t have family left, but if I could get some travel money or a ride to another pack, I would appreciate it” Cassidy told us, and I already knew what was going to happen and was smiling before the words came out of Peyton’s mouth.

“Nonsense, you are coming to Ever Green with us. You will stay with me. I already care very much about you, and I would love to have you there with us. Now we already have a lead Omega, but our team gets paid for what they do, and I think we need to talk to Beta Cameron about implementing that here. Our Lead Omega is ready to retire and was waiting for a good replacement before she did it. Plus, it is time for an overhaul in our kitchen, I help them in there often, and the setup there is old, and needs to be revamped. I think we need a setup there just like you have here. I would love for you to decide to come with us to Ever Green” Peyton told her, and I watched as Cassidy’s eyes teared up again. Cassidy nodded in agreement and said, “Yes, please, I would love that too.”

I heard the kitchen door open and shut again and looked over to see who it was. I watched as Jerry entered the room slowly sniffing the air. Oh, yes, we had forgotten about his mate being here. It didn't take long before Aubrey's head snapped up and looked in his direction. They walked slowly to each other before they whispered, "Mate" at each other. I can see the joy on both their faces and they were ecstatic at finding each other and then kissing each other passionately. I see Heath and mom looking at them both with a grin on their faces, and I am glad for him. He has had a tough time of it, and I am glad for her as well. Hearing her story about being rejected was hard to hear, but I know that Jerry will be accepting her, and we now have another new pack member. Peyton is right, we do need a larger, more efficient kitchen. I think that we can get the kitchen at the old packhouse done first, and then tweak the new one so they can both run more efficiently. I know that Cassidy and Peyton will make the same changes that are here at Ever Green as well.

"Jerry, go ahead and take your mate up to pack, we will be leaving first thing in the morning. You are not needed by us tonight" Heath's voice rang across the room, and they didn't need any other invitation to take off together hand in hand. I am happy for them both and am glad that they found each other.

"So, are you up to finish this tonight, so you can go pack as well? Cassidy?" I heard King Sebastian ask her. I know I am because he has done enough damage already. It will be my pleasure to get this done.

"I am, King Sebastian" Cassidy's strong voice rang out, and I am glad that she was willing to do this with us. This was the last step to freeing Peyton from all who wanted to harm her, and I was so glad it was almost over.

"OK, let us finish up here with the others who want to testify against him, and then I will send my tech out to the hospital to set up a camera in Jasper's room. While we are at it, I think that we should go ahead and get Stephanie on audio and video too, about her willfully stealing from Ever Green. I think her seeing Peyton, and Peyton mentioning to her that she owes her over \$42,000 to pay back what she owes, will be all that is needed to get the ball rolling on it. Stephanie was never a criminal mastermind, she is just a petty she-wolf who wanted to take Percy away from his Goddess-given mate. She and Jasper can both be punished for their actions. I think that would be highly fitting for them both" King Sebastian said.

The Omegas then started prepping rooms for the visitors, and the packhouse becomes full quickly. They knew that we would be needing to spend the night, and then leave early in the morning. I hate that my parents got backed up when they wanted to be back home tonight, and I was going to go tell them that if they needed to go, I think we have it under control, but as I went to walk towards them, they stopped me.

"We have spoken to Dawson and Sloan. Anna and her friends have been avoiding them. Plus, Dawson comes down and speaks to the lead Omega and makes sure nothing happens to their food. Anna and her friends are not allowed in the kitchen, and they are fine with us returning tomorrow. Plus, we will get with Sloan's father when we go to head back tomorrow. We will give him a time frame for him to arrive at Blood Rose, to turn Luna

Meghan into the Werewolf Council. Leader Miller and Council Member Phillips have agreed to come with us to deal with her. King Sebastian will be having Jasper, and Stephanie, as his guests in the cells at the Royal Knight pack, until arrangements are made to transport them to where they will receive their punishment. Stephanie will be imprisoned, and Jasper if we can get enough on him, and he is slippery, should get the death penalty” my dad said. And I am glad this is proceeding so quickly. I was really worried about Sloan. We had gone there to help when this happened. I know it was just yesterday morning, but it feels like a hundred things have happened since then. I will be glad when this is all of a done for our whole family.

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Heath's POV

Dark Savage pack

We are finally getting somewhere. I am glad that this is almost over actually. This has been a draining two days, and I am just glad that we are at the end of it. Alpha King Sebastian has spoken to Beta Cameron, with both Lead Miller, and I present for the interview process. We need to make sure that we are not putting another bad Alpha in place of the bad Alpha that we are removing from Dark Savage. I know that Royal Beta Harrison Burns and his wife would rather stay at the Royal Knight pack, but if King Sebastian asked them to, they would indeed come here to take over the pack, if only temporarily, for him to be trained.

We didn't want them to have to do that, as they had been loyal to the King all these years and wanted to stay where they were. I have to say that I was impressed by him, he had good answers, and could quickly come up with answers to the questions that we gave him as we tested him. We are looking for good men, with a respect for the laws, that want their pack to be successful and strong. We want our people to be treated fairly and he seemed receptive to starting to pay the omegas here at Dark Savage. He had thought that way previously, but Jasper had shot him down on it. Cameron clearly had a good head on his shoulders, and he was a strong leader. None of us had a bad feeling about appointing him to the Alpha position, and none of the Omegas had anything bad to say about him. In fact, they seemed to admire him as they said that they have never had an instance where he was disrespectful, or harmful to any of them. The only thing against him was the fact that he was not mated. But the Omegas helped us out with that too. He stayed to himself and didn't try to get with random she-wolves. He was waiting on his mate, and that was all I needed to hear about that. He is a great candidate, and I was voting for him to succeed Jasper.

I was surprised that Cameron was voted in by all three of us. It is rare for all three to make the decision to all vote for the Alpha, it is usually a 2 to 1 vote. So, I felt very good

about how he was going to do as Alpha. I even told him that he can come to visit me at Ever Green or call me at any time to help him when he got to things that he didn't know what to do. I also told him that I was about to turn Ever Green over to Percy soon and that I could come with Von and spend a week at Dark Savage, to help him sort out everything, and be able to be a successful Alpha. I also told him that after he found his Luna, Von and I could return so she could help train his Luna. It was going to take time, but I had faith in him. He was young, at 21 years old, but it was his lack of training that was going to get him. He was a strong Beta and would only get stronger after the ceremony. He would indeed get Alpha strength at that time, most Alphas were getting their packs at about the same age, but they had already received years of training. They had done a lot of the work, and Jasper had kept the harder work away from Cameron, only giving him the Beta work, and only recently allowing him to even see the Alpha work, now that he was sick. I know Jasper did it to keep Cameron from knowing too much. Knowledge makes you stronger, and the lack of keeps you from being able to advance. Jasper knows this, and his entitled thinking was the main reason he was such a bad Alpha.

We all head out to the hospital now, for the last thing that we need to do here at Dark Savage. It is our whole group, as well as Beta Cameron. We will deal with Stephanie first. I am almost excited to watch this play out tonight. I cannot stand either of them, frankly, I would love to kill Jasper with my bare hands if I could. I will have to volunteer as the person to carry out his sentence if they will allow me to. Him having the nerve to shoot me, at my own pack like that. The disrespect to me and my family, and in front of my daughter when it happened, the fear he gave Von. I could feel the fear that both Gabi and Von had, and rightly so, they thought I was about to be killed, and I hate that it even happened. Jasper is obviously deranged if he thinks that will not be answered. I cannot wait for him to be stripped of his title tonight.

"Well, great. What do I owe the honor of this visit for?" Stephanie bemoans when she sees us arrive. Her expression is one of disgust as she looks at us at her doorway.

"We are here to visit you, Stephanie. We thought you would want to tell us all goodbye" Gabi said in a sarcastic tone. Stephanie didn't realize that she was messing with her and got visibly excited about the possibility of our leaving and sat up in her bed. She got even more excited about seeing Percy in the hallway, until noticing Peyton next to him. Then she tried to start something to get his attention. Stephanie threw her hospital blanket off of her and then goes to swing her legs over like she was going to get out of bed. Moving slowly to do it in her hospital gown and exposing her thighs to the group. I am sure she was moving like she was still feeling bad to garner sympathy, but it wasn't working, on any of us. We had put a camera in here an hour ago, it was in between some medical machines, and she had been up and around in the room. She was almost totally healed now that they knew what the issue was with them. She just didn't need to know that we knew she was fine.

"You absolutely have no shame at all in you, do you?" Peyton's voice rings out.

"He was mine first" Stephanie replies back in anger, before changing her tone and cooing, "Percy, can you help me stand and go to the bathroom?"

“Sure can,” Percy said and then disappears from her view of him in the hallway. Stephanie frowns at the door, wondering where he went.

“How can I help you, Stephanie?” a nurse asks as she enters the room putting on gloves. Percy was right behind the nurse and his grin cracked us all up. I am proud of him, that was quick thinking.

“Percy, you know I meant you silly. Stop playing and help me, please. I can barely walk because of the poison I was given” Stephanie pouts to him and holds her hands out towards him like she is reaching for him to come and help her.

“Sorry, I knew what you meant, and I got you help as you asked. I will never touch you again. I know you for exactly who you are now, and I am absolutely disgusted at myself for falling for your tricks. I am not under the influence of your lies and manipulation anymore” Percy told her, and she is seething in anger. She deserved it with how she treated him. She tricked him and led him at every turn. She is older than him and had used her body to try to take the Luna position from his mate.

“I don’t think that there is any help for you, Stephanie,” Peyton said in a light tone.

“Who are you to speak to me? I had him first, you just got my nasty seconds. Don’t get a big head about it. You think that just because you are the Alpha King’s daughter that you can get away with anything. But you can’t. I just want to remind you that you are his mate, he is unwillingly drawn to you because of it. I got him to come to me on my own, by my own merit. You couldn’t do that, so keep your smug tone to yourself. The way I see it, I had him attracted to me, naturally. Not because the Goddess forced him to like me” Stephanie said, and I heard several gasps with both Tanner reached out to grab Gabi, as King Sebastian grabbed Luna Queen DeAnna, to stop them from entering the room. They were furious with Peyton and were going to take care of Stephanie right now.

“See, you are weak Peyton, case in point. You can’t even fight your own freaking battles. You are just gonna let your mommy, and future mother-in-law fight them for you. You know, it might not even get that far, as Percy could come to his senses and come back to me” Stephanie said with a smirk. She then winked at Percy and then waved off the nurse that she didn’t need help before putting her legs back up on the bed. She just laid there, uncovered looking directly at Percy, waiting to see if he was going to glance her way. Disappointed as he hugged Peyton and sniffed her neck to keep him calm, never looking in Stephanie’s direction.

‘You disgusting little b***h” we heard being yelled out and Cassidy slipped into the room and punched Stephanie in the face. I could have stopped her, but I was actually OK with whatever punishment Cassidy wanted to dole out to her. Stephanie deserved it, she had caused both Peyton and Cassidy a great deal of pain. She had earned much more than just a black eye as far as I was concerned.

“Percy, she hit me. Please do something” Stephanie held her face, pouting. I am sure it hurt because Cassidy packed a pretty good punch.

“There is nothing that can be done about a black eye except a cold compress. I will go get that nurse back for you” Percy told her, and I heard Peyton laugh. Her laugh made me laugh and that made Stephanie even angrier. So, this has been a pretty good visit so far.

“Does it hurt?” Gabi asked with a smile on her face.

“You people shouldn’t even be here. You are trespassing here at Dark Savage. You all need to leave” Stephanie told us as she pressed the button for the nurse, as no one had moved to go and get a nurse.

“Well, we didn’t want to leave without telling you and Jasper goodbye. That would be rude, and we are nothing if not people who do the right thing” I told her.

“Yea, speaking of the right thing, when are you going to repay the money that you took from Ever Green? I had to pay back all the Omegas that actually did your work for you, while you signed paperwork that said that you had done it. Doesn’t seem fair for you to steal from your co-workers, and make them do your work for over a year. You don’t deserve to get off scot-free and then leave Ever Green with no punishment at all. It really seems like you should pay it back, as you took it. When will you start making payments to get that money back to me?” Peyton said to her.

“Wow, you really are dumber than you look. That is not my fault that they were willing to do my work for me. The work got done, and I got paid. That is on you all for not realizing it sooner. But I won’t be paying it back, there is nothing that you can do to make me either. Gabi said that I could either pay it back or get out of the pack. I chose to get out. There is nothing that you can do to me about it now. Go cry for your money back somewhere else, it is not my problem” Stephanie said and started laughing.

“Actually, stealing from your pack, in any amount in excess of \$5,000 is punishable as embezzlement. They have signed statements of you coercing your fellow Omegas to do your work by threatening them if they didn’t. You need to take this seriously, Stephanie. This is a serious charge levied against you” Council member Phillips said to Stephanie. Stephanie looked at her with a sneer on her face and said, “Who the hell are you? I don’t have to answer you. Mind your own freaking business and stay out of mine.

“So, you didn’t threaten your fellow Omegas to do your work for you, for over a year?” Council member Phillips said.

“What if I did? So what? I don’t live there anymore. I don’t answer to them anymore, and if they thought my joking around with them was an implied threat, then that is on them too for being dumb. They should have said something sooner. I was just messing with them. I wasn’t serious, but hey, if they want to do me a favor by taking on one of my duties a day, then that is up to them. I was just messing with them. They need to be able

to take a joke better. It was just a misunderstanding between us is all this was. Why are you harping on this now, you just need to let it go and move on. I don't have the money to pay it back anyway. There is nothing that can be done about it now" Stephanie told us and then sneered at Peyton again, mumbling, "b***h" before turning over in her bed so she would be looking at us anymore.

"I am afraid that there is something that can be done about it, Stephanie. You signed paperwork each week to get your paycheck, that said that YOU did the work that you were getting paid for. You didn't. It should have been paid extra, to the people who actually physically did the work. They had to make it right for the people who were bullied by you into taking on your work on top of theirs. This just occurred Ms. Turner, this is still a live case, despite your running away. You took money for work that you allegedly did, but you never actually did the work. You lied on the legally binding documents asking if you had done said work. I am afraid that it is a punishable offense, especially in the amount we are speaking of" Council Member Phillips told her. I was working hard to keep the smile off my face.

"Look, I don't even know who you are lady, but I do know that none of you are welcome to be here. So, you need to pack up, and get out. Don't make Jasper get the warriors after you. Beta Cameron, why are you allowing them to stay here? You know we do not get along with Ever Green, and Blood Rose. Please escort them out" Stephanie said, and then arched an eyebrow when Beta Cameron didn't move to do what she had said.

We all heard a strong voice ring out, "She does not speak for me. You knew what the problem was, and you helped us to be able to get better, so I don't have an issue with you being here at this time. You can take Stephanie with you, she does not have any kind of role here that allows her to kick you off MY packland. So, if you want to take her back with you to punish her, I am totally OK with it" Alpha Jasper called out from the next room. He had clearly been listening to the entire conversation. Stephanie growls out in frustration and anger, Jasper didn't back her up like she thought he would. She is quite annoying, I am not surprised.

"Then let me tell you who I am, Ms. Turner. I am the third member of the Werewolf Council, Teresa Phillips. I am hereby notifying you that we are putting you under arrest for the theft of \$42,078,21, for receiving payment for work that you did not complete at Ever Green. You were paid for 58 weeks, you signed each week guaranteeing that you had completed the work yourself, when in fact you did not complete any of your assigned tasks. Since your illness is no longer life-threatening at this time, you will be coming with us and secured in jail, until the time that your hearing is held. Your crime will be punished according to our laws, and the judgment on your case will be decided by the Werewolf council" Council Member Phillips announced.

Stephanie's mouth opened and closed several times before she managed to say, "I was never warned that was wrong of me to do. You can't punish me for that. I didn't realize. You have no proof against me."

Actually, we can punish you, and we do have proof. Plus, I must remind you that our laws are very different than human law. Since you are able to just leave the pack in wolf form, and with that the chance it gives you to run away and disappear, we will be arresting you tonight. We can, and did, use the technology at our disposal to record your admission of theft. We don't really need it as you admitted it in front of me, the Leader of the Werewolf Council, Anthony Miller, as well as the Alpha King, and Queen. But we like to cover our bases and it allows us to show the other three members of the Council what you admitted to us. We WILL be allowing it. Don't worry, we will assign you a lawyer to help you be defended for your crime, but I doubt anyone will be able to help you beat the charges against you. We already have statements from the Omegas you bullied into doing your work. We also have your own acknowledgment of the crime on the fifty-eight signed sheets that said that you did the work that you were being paid for, when you clearly hadn't. Each count stands alone, so you will have 58 counts against you, as you did this for over a year" Council Member Phillips told Stephanie who was so outraged now, that she couldn't speak.

Nurses entered the room and assisted Stephanie into the bathroom to change into her clothes. Stephanie, as predicted, tried to give them a hard time and tried to refuse to change clothes. She wouldn't be able to wear her hospital gown in the cells overnight. We were not going to give her an inch to be able to lure a guard to have s*x with her, in exchange for her freedom. We all knew that she would do it, plus cells are not usually the nicest or cleanest of places. Stephanie was still stunned by the turn of events until she was escorted out of the room and saw three warriors, only one of them from this pack, waiting to escort her to the cells. Then she found her voice.

"I hate you so much right now Peyton. If it is the last thing that I do, I will kill you" Stephanie said as she looked at Peyton with malice in her eyes as she has mixed handcuffs, with both silver and steel in them. The silver is on the inside of the steel, so it doesn't burn her, but it does keep her from being able to phase into her wolf or mindlink anyone. There were several growls in response to the threat.

"Am I mistaken, or was that a death threat? To the soon-to-be Luna of Ever Green, and the Alpha King's daughter?" I asked the group.

"You are correct, Alpha Heath, and it will be on the recording, and admitted into evidence as well. That carries the death penalty, as Stephanie is still a member of your pack at Ever Green. She was never formally made a member of Dark Savage, it will be noted as a threat to her Luna, which carries a higher charge with it. It seems that Stephanie wants as many charges as we can give her" Leader Miller said, and Stephanie started screaming even louder and threatened all of us as she was escorted down the hallway to the elevators.

"Please let the audio have caught the fact that she threatened the Alpha King, Luna Queen, Percy, Council Member Phillips, Alpha Heath, Luna Gabi, Alpha Tanner, and me, in her threat of death, before she was escorted out of the hospital by the warriors" Leader Miller said to be caught on video. We all nodded in response, and this can be used to document it. It would show that she was a potential threat to many high-ranking wolves. Even if it weren't fully heard on the audio, due to the distance, we were all witness to it.

“Well, let’s go get this over with,” King Sebastian said, and then walked into the next room.

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Jasper’s POV

Dark Savage pack

Well s**t, I did not see that coming. Earlier today Stephanie and I were both at death’s door. Now that they knew what was going on, and getting the correct treatment, we both felt a great deal better. I assumed that I would be able to do my Alpha duties, just by myself, by tomorrow. I am not so sure what is about to happen now. I could hear the whole conversation coming from Stephanie’s room next door. I was really surprised when I heard Cassidy going off on Stephanie. Why would she be out here? Why is she running around my pack free if she actually had tried to kill me and Stephanie? She killed two she-wolves for the Goddess’s sake. I already know that this will NOT be going well for me already, just knowing that she was with them in the hallway. I also couldn’t believe that they had recorded Stephanie in there. I was surprised at the large amount of money she stole from Ever Green. They should have caught onto that much faster than they did. Or maybe they were just biding time until Percy found his mate, as they really put stock in mates at Ever Green, and in the Wright family.

I looked around my room once I heard about their recording, and I had already decided that I would not be handing it to them like Stephanie did. But really, she excels in not thinking things through. There is only one thing she is good for, or at, and thinking is not it. I am glad that she is out of my hair now, she has overstayed her welcome, and I was glad to see my Beta with them in the hallway. He had not been speaking, but I am sure that he will be helping me out here. I am sure that they are coming to me next, they started with the easy one. I still have the poison in my system so I still can’t mindlink, but I know that he is a loyal and good man. I watch with sparkling eyes as they go from her door to mine. I am looking forward to the battle of wits with them. They will not have such an easy time with me, I won’t be getting tricked like she did. I didn’t see a camera or any equipment that shouldn’t be in here. I have been resting periodically throughout the day, so it is possible that they could have come in here earlier while I was sleeping to set it up.

I can tell that the plan was for them to gang up on me. I smiled in greeting and sat up straight in the bed. “What’s up?” I asked them, to try to be funny. I don’t want them to think that I am worried about anything, at all.

“We would like to speak to you Alpha Jasper” Council Leader Miller said, and I nodded to him. I got a great idea and then said, “Yes, I would be happy to talk to you” with a smirk on my face and then gave a laugh.

“What is so funny Alpha Jasper?” Leader Miller asked.

“Oh, I was making sure that if it is only an audio recording in here, you would still have my consent noted on it,” I told them and then allowed my smirk to grow bigger, as I laid back on my hospital bed to show them that I wasn’t worried in the least.

“Oh, you don’t have to worry about that Alpha Jasper, we are doing audio, AND video in here. You are all good, whichever way you decide to respond” Leader Miller told me, effectively wiping the smile off my face. They weren’t playing around with whatever was about to happen in here. I guess this is an intervention or something. Maybe they will threaten me. I don’t even remember all the workers who were in and out of here today. That hidden camera could be anywhere, and I believe them. Suddenly this is a lot less fun. I will need to keep guarded and think before I speak, as they clearly have an agenda in here, and I am not just going to hand it to them. I will make them work for whatever it is that they want to try to get me for.

“OK, shoot, what do you want to know?” I said and then noticed Peyton in the hallway, with Percy holding her around her waist. I can’t resist it and said, “Peyton, I have two chairs in here, do you want to come in here and sit down?”

“Sure, thanks for the offer,” Percy said and walked in holding Peyton’s hand and pulled the chair nearest the bed back over to the wall and then sat down, she then sat in his lap. I know he is trying to get a reaction out of me, but I have an even better view now, so I keep my gaze on her. She is more stunning now as a woman than she had been as a young teen. She looked similar to her brother Bryson’s coloring with her blond hair from her mother, and her father’s green eyes. She looks very much like her mother, and she is gorgeous. I will ask her if she is willing to stay here. I know she is marked and mated, but I am still a very attractive man that is willing to give her absolutely anything to keep her here. That works for a lot of women, so it should work for her too. I heard throats being cleared, and I look towards the door, “I am sorry. What were you saying?” I said to them in my most charming tone.

“We wanted to ask you about the attempted k*****g of Peyton Hunt from the Blood Claw pack. We have information that it was you behind it, and we wanted to discuss that with you. You know that it was a serious crime. We need to get this worked out” Leader Miller said to me.

I glanced over to Peyton and give her one of my patented smiles before answering, “I do not recall being involved in that at all. Refresh my memory, when was that again? I do remember her disappearing, and then hearing of her untimely death. Which I am glad to see was just a vicious rumor. I am so glad that you have returned from the dead, Peyton” I told her, and I heard Percy, her father, and Heath all start growling at me for what I said.

“That is incorrect, Jasper. I smelled them when they came to the Blood Claw pack to try to take me. They smelled like this pack, you know that each pack has a scent associated with them, and that is how you know when someone is trespassing in your pack. There is no mistake, I was close enough to see and smell them. I also picked out all four of their pictures from your missing member’s folders in your office. They were all identified as being your men, including your best tracker, and your Beta. With all noted as having gone missing on the same date as the incident at Blood Claw. You can stop lying now, Jasper, and just admit it. They were killed trying to take me and were still members of the pack when they died. I scented them, Jasper, I know that they were sent to get me” Peyton tells me, and then leans away from me, towards Percy.

“Well, if they did that, they did it on their own. I would never have ordered something like that to be done. I would be too worried about King Sebastian coming after ME for it, and I don’t need that kind of heat from the Alpha King. He had already shut me down when I asked for your hand after I met you as a teenager. I always knew that you would do great things” I told her with a proud smile.

“You wanted me for my power. You saw me use it, and you wanted to get me to try to become the next Alpha King” Peyton said, and she cut straight to the chase. I was surprised that she had figured that out.

“You are mistaken little one, but if you did want to stay here at Dark Savage, I would be happy about it. I really wouldn’t mind re-marking you, and mating with you. I know that you would help me have strong pups” I said to her. This time the room rang out with growls. Making my smile bigger, this is an easy room to lead.

“You are not my mate, Jasper. You know that I have a mate. I will not be staying here with you, no matter what. You do not deserve my time or my attention. You really think that you, Alpha Jasper, are smarter than the rest of the men here with me?” Peyton’s laughter lit up the room and made me laugh too until I realize what she said. I am not stupid, I have admitted nothing to them, and I won’t be admitting anything that would make me look bad, or guilty.

“Look you seem like a sweet girl, but I wasn’t involved in it if they were even there. I can’t even remember their names now, it has been so long ago. I always thought that they found a better offer at another pack. I had nothing at all to do with whatever it was that they were doing. You have my word on it. I know it may look suspicious, but I didn’t tell them to do anything. Especially not to you” I tell them. I keep my serious face on to show them that I am being totally transparent with them.

“You are right, Jasper, it is very suspicious. They leave Dark Savage one day, for whatever reason, and drive an hour to get to Blood Claw. Then end up dying on Blood Claw’s packland, after attacking the Security detail guarding Peyton, and Luna Victoria. Not only did Peyton see them, and can verify that they died there, but she also smelled their scents and knew that they were trespassing there at Blood Claw. Additionally, we contacted Alpha James, and Beta Mitchell from Blood Claw. They also stated and are willing to testify that the men that Peyton picked out of the missing folder, were the men that they

found dead in their pack, and they were the reason that the women died. So, you can cut the lies now Jasper. You felt them die that day. You should know that when a pack member dies, for whatever reason, you feel the bond break with them. I bet you gave up after hearing that she had died in the attack, not realizing that she was still alive” King Sebastian said to me.

Shit, that was a slip-up. I did forget about that. I don’t lose members that often. I had felt it when we tried to ambush their convoy as they were leaving from Blood Claw. It had been several years before that when I had last felt the pain of losing a member of my pack last. I was still recovering from being shot, I was in pain, and I had forgotten about losing those pack members. It does hurt to lose your members. I am kicking myself for forgetting that. I should have changed the f*****g dates too, That was another mistake that I made, and I hate that I had left breadcrumbs for anyone to find.

“It was a long time ago, they very well may have died. If I didn’t note it, I just guess I didn’t have that information to note in the file. I wasn’t that close to those men. I am sorry that they clearly all went rogue and tried to attack Peyton, and those women, or whatever they were doing there. I just wasn’t involved in it, I can’t control what other’s go off and do of their own accord. I don’t know what you are talking about. I am sorry. I am tired now, please allow me to rest and we can try again tomorrow” I told them. But I am going to have my Beta and warriors make them leave. I will not be getting questioned again.

“I am sorry, we know you are tired, we only have a few more questions Alpha,” Lead Miller said to me.

“Fine” I snapped at him and tried to get more comfortable. I am sick of them, and this whole being questioned thing.

“So how did you know where to go to find Peyton? You remember, when you attacked our convoy and were shooting at us” Alpha Heath asked.

“I just happened to come upon you guys, it was a coincidence,” I told them. I am only going to start doing yes or no answers. I can see them trying to lead me somewhere and I am worried about getting cornered.

“With more men than we had, and way more firepower too. Wow, that really was a coincidence” Heath said, and then started to laugh.

“It is Heath. It was really lucky on their part. But what if I told you there was another reason, what would you say to that Jasper?” King Sebastian said.

“What would that be?” I asked them, rolling my eyes to show how dumb I thought this whole process was going to be.

“Her name was Fallon, the girl who came by here to stop and visit you by the way. The one you paid \$20,000 dollars to for information on Peyton told us. It is on record and can be proven, as she was caught the other day, and her sentence, as well as her mate’s sentence carried out. She admitted that she was the one who told your Beta where Peyton was back 6 years ago. You remember, the Beta who was killed at Blood Claw trying to kidnap Peyton. She told us that you were really interested in getting Peyton and were glad to give her the money. She knew you were the one who had them out looking for Peyton back then and wanted to try to get them some starter money. Her mate was also on record as admitting that he had driven her here and that she had a large amount of money on her that she told him that she got from you. She just didn’t tell him why you gave it to her until much later” Leader Miller told Jasper.

“I don’t know what you are talking about. We just happened to come across your convoy. I had been told that Peyton was being held against her will at Ever Green. I was trying to help her get back to her mate. I had heard from Timothy James that he was her true mate when he called here looking for her after she left Blood Claw. I was just being a good friend. I had no idea what had happened and that I had been lied to” I told them. I need to make sure I keep my answers short, or I am going to get caught up here in my lies. I looked at Cameron, my Beta, and wanted to mindlink him to keep his mouth shut about whatever I said, but I still can’t link anyone.

“Really, Jasper? Why would she lie to us about that? I really have to tell you that it doesn’t make any kind of sense either. She knew that she was going to be put to death, but instead of just trying to get away as fast as she could, she comes here, to you, instead of trying to get to safety. You must really think that we are all idiots, Jasper. That makes no sense at all. That fight-or-flight instinct is a strong one. She had just escaped Blood Claw. She knew that she was going to be hunted down. Do you think that she is just going to hang out in the vicinity of the pack she is running for her life from, for no reason? You need to come up with something better than that. No one here believes it” Leader Miller said and is shaking his head like he cannot believe I would say something like that.

“Well, I never saw her. If she had come here, she must have spoken to someone else. I don’t know what to tell you other than that. Maybe someone else here is after Peyton. You need to be careful who you listen to, I wouldn’t take warrior’s and guard’s words for anything” I told them and then turned my head to look out the window. I no longer wanted to talk to any one of them. I just want my Beta and Gamma back me up. This is a complete travesty, I am an Alpha. I deserved to be respected, especially in my own pack. I can throw Heath, Gabi, Tanner, and Percy out of my pack. But the Alpha King’s family can’t be kicked out, and neither can the Council members. I start thinking of what I can do to make this whole thing disappear.

“Now that is weird, Jasper. We have two eyewitnesses to seeing that meeting happen at your gates. They both were interviewed separately, and they both stated that you were indeed present and had made the deal with Fallon. There is no mistake. The statements are similar, but not the same, with the same basic information given from their different perspectives and experience at that time. We have already gotten their testimony on record, and their statement forms are already filled out. You can stop lying at any time

unless it is just impossible for you to be able to tell the truth. I think you struggle with telling the truth” Alpha Heath said to me.

“I know that he is lying” we heard a voice say from the back of the group.