

The Alpha Train Novel - Chapter 8

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Chapter 8 Sebastian James got Luna Josephine's name from Sylvie and called her after breakfast . She's apparently spending some time with her daughter and newest grandpup , so she isn't willing to join us for a few weeks , knowing that it's a two to three month commitment once she's here . " So we're stuck with Emma until then ? " I ask him . " Hopefully she'll get her shit together , " he says . I give him a look . Pack members like that , someone who seems to obviously be trying to find .

or trap an Alpha into a mate bond , don't last in the Academy . " Yeah , I know . I'll keep looking , " he says . " Who are you pairing her with ? " I ask him . " Benjamin . He should be fine with her . " " What classes is he teaching ? " I ask . " I have him scheduled to lead Dealing with Crisis and he's back up in Communication and Pack Finances , " James says .

Since we have a lot of instructors who rotate in and out of the Academy , James and I take lead on two of the classes and back up on one class . We let the newer instructors lead one and act as back up on two classes , that way , there's always at least two instructors in every class . In the sensory class , we always have three , one who excels in each of the senses we focus on sight , sound , and smell . I'm a scent . wolf . If I hadn't been an Alpha , I could have been a tracker .

- " Dealing with Crisis is more about scenarios . If he's on top of it , it shouldn't be a problem , even if she doesn't pull her weight , " I tell him . " What class am I leading ? " Will asks . James grabs his paperwork and shuffles through the assignments . " We'll go over it together as a group tonight once everyone is on the Train , but right now , I have you leading Pack Finances , backing up Benjamin in Dealing with Crisis , and as the sight lead in the Sensory class . " James says .

" I like those choices . Hopefully everyone else is just as happy with their assignments . " " Dealing with Crisis will be a bit tougher this time , " James tells him . " Why is that ? " " We'll be going through the Alphas tonight once everyone is on the 1350 Chapter Train , but you heard about Alpha Tanner , right ? " " The young Alpha that died in that horrific accident ? " Will asks , looking from James to me . " That's the one , " I tell him . " What about him ? " Will asks .

" His brother is riding the Train this semester , " James tells him . " Ah , shit ! He's the second son ? " he asks . " He is . His name is Tyler . I know next to nothing about him other than he and his pack are still grieving the loss of their Alpha and now he's here , taking up the mantle . And what makes it worse is his brother is number four on the leaderboard . " I've already planned to speak to Alpha Tyler .

He's another one who will be chasing the ghost of his brother this semester , and he'll be doing it while his grief is still raw . Will scrubs his face . " Damn shame about that kid .

How old's the brother ? " " I understand he'll turn eighteen right after he leaves here , " I say . 1335 Chapter " I'll keep an eye on him , " he says . " We all will . He needs to succeed , not just because he's an Alpha , but because his pack desperately needs a leader , " James says .

" Who's leading the pack now ? " I ask . " I understand their father , Alpha Trent , has stepped back into the Alpha role waiting for Tyler to finish the Academy , " James says . " Excuse me , Alphas , " Christina says , stepping up to us . " Laura's on dinner duty tonight and she wants to make steaks . Is that ... " " YES !! LAURA , I LOVE YOU ! " James yells . " Stop flirting with me Alpha . I have a mate now ! " she yells back . " Damn , I'm going to miss her , " I say , smiling .

James and Christina are also smiling . " Me too , " Christina says . " You have a very interesting dynamic here on the Train . The hierarchical lines that you see in the packs are much more blurry here , " Will says . DEL Chapter B " That is true . No matter their rank , the assistants are never treated as omegas . They are here to work and they do their job , just as we do . There's more equality on the Train and in the Academy , " James says .

" But , at the end of the day , I'm still in charge of everything that happens here . As instructors , we're responsible for the young Alphas and the welfare of the assistants , but things aren't as rigid as they are in the packs . " " It's not for everyone , Alpha . I've known some Alphas that have struggled with the lack of structured hierarchy . They don't usually last more than one semester . And even for those who don't have a problem .

with it , unless they remain for more than a semester or two , they never really fall into the easy camaraderie that many of us have . The assistants still respect the rank of the Alphas , young and old , but that doesn't mean that we don't get sassy when the opportunity presents itself , " Christina says . " Who are you calling old , young lady ? " James asks her . " Definitely not you , Alpha , " Christina teases , the look on her face saying she's placating James .

" Does that mean you think I'm old , Christina ? " I ask her . " Aren't you younger than Alpha James , Sebastian ? " she asks , her eyebrow raised in challenge . I didn't realize she knew our ages . He and I are only a few years apart , yet she knows that I'm younger . It makes me wonder why she knows that . And it makes my wolf very pleased that she cared enough to find out . " I am . " I say . She glances away from me , seemingly embarrassed that she knows my age .

Thankfully , Will comes to her rescue . " I guess that leaves me then as the old fart . " Christina smiles at him . " How about I rephrase and say the Alpha trainees and instructors ? " " Much better , " James says . " I nowhere near old . " " We'll be serving sandwiches for lunch since we'll have appetizers prepared when the others board the train .

Dinner will be at six o'clock , Alpha James , so if you want to plan your meeting with the group at eight o'clock , that will work , " she tells us . " That's perfect . Thank you ! " " is

the meeting you mentioned , James ? " Will asks . " Yes . The instructors and assistants always sit and review the semester ' s group of Alphas .

We discuss pairings , class schedules , and I also make sure that every assistant knows the boundaries of being in the sex class and spending so much time with Alphas . We'll have a similar meeting with the Alphas once all of them have boarded the train and then on Sunday night , once everyone is settled at the Academy , we'll go over the rules of earning points and expectations for the semester . " 13 : 3 " It sounds like you've got this running like a well - oiled machine , " Will says .

" We certainly try , " James says . " I'll leave you to it then , " Christina says . " Christina , we'll meet after the big meeting ? " I ask her . I'm looking forward to spending time with her again tonight . " Absolutely . " " Have you made your decision , yet ? " James asks her . She looks at me . " Sebastian and I are still talking about it , but I'm leaning toward yes . " " Well , that takes some pressure off of me .

Luna Josephine isn't available for a few weeks , so if you're not willing , let me know as soon as possible , " he tells her . " I'll make my decision by tomorrow morning . Will that work , Alpha ? " she asks him . " It will , thank you . Chapter & She nods and walks back toward the kitchen . convince her to be my assistant . oooooave one more night to " Something I should know ? " Will asks , watching me . " Seb's teaching the sex class this semester and Christina's never done it .

She's assigned as his assistant , so he wants her to participate , " James says . " I'm making sure she knows what to expect and we're working through her concerns . I'll make sure to resolve those tonight so she can make her decision by tomorrow , James . " " Should I be looking for a replacement , just in case ? " he asks . I sip my water , watching the place where Christina walked out . " No . I think we're good . "

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