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What in the hell is going on? Why are all my friends in my room? This cannot be comfortable and I don't smell alcohol on them, so I don't think it is a drunken thing, but who knows. I'm too wide awake now to try and wiggle my way between the twins, so I grab Cam's sweatshirt from the floor and head down to see what's for breakfast.

As I head out I notice the doors to all the rooms on our floor are closed, even the media room. Weird. The guys never close them unless they are in there. I head down to the second floor and all the guest rooms are closed as well, but I figure there are probably still visiting warriors here. I keep heading down towards the first floor intent on hitting the kitchen and checking in with Luna Ava about the sleeping arrangements. I didn't eat as much as I should have yesterday after the trials. I was too busy talking to everyone.

As soon as I hit the landing, I'm stopped by a warrior.

"We are still on lockdown, you need to return to your room." I recognize this guy as one of the warriors from the final phase of trials. He's a big guy, bigger

than the Alpha King, my neck hurts from having to look up at him, and I am three steps above him.

“I don’t understand, I just came down for breakfast, what happened?” I don’t move from my spot, my curiosity getting the better of me.

“We are still on lockdown, you need to return to your room.” He repeats.

“Can you tell me when we went on lockdown? I went to bed early last night. The party was still going on when I went up to my room.”

“You live here? You’re not a guest we detained?” He looks at me with his eyebrow raised.

“Yes, I live on the third floor.” He wants to give me vague answers, I will do the same. I cross my arms, not really to be intimidating, but more standing my ground. I wasn’t going to be intimidated. “Is anyone else awake? Can I talk to Luna Ava or Alpha Lucas? I don’t want to mindlink them if they are sleeping”

“The Alpha King has ordered everyone to stay in their rooms or in their homes for the time being. Please go back to your room.”

“Can I at least get some food? You guys did a number on me at trials yesterday and I am starving.”

“I will see what I can do, please go upstairs.” He growls low and squints his eyes at me like he is trying to remember which wolf I was. Which makes sense considering my size, I don’t look like someone who should have been in the trials at all, and I don’t remember him at the celebration last night.

“Thank you Warrior...?” I let the question hang, raising my eyebrows, hoping to get a tidbit of information out of him.

“Osiston. Go upstairs little one, it’s not safe right now.” Again, low and growly, like he doesn’t want to be heard.

“Why is she walking around and the rest of us are locked in rooms all over the house.?” My favorite screeching sound comes from above me on the stairs.

I’m still looking at Osiston and we both take a visible calming breath. He has clearly been dealing with her already this morning. Considering how early it probably is, he has been dealing with her all night. I can’t help but smile at him as he rolls his eyes almost imperceptibly.

“You have already been told, child, the Alpha King’s orders are to remain where you have been placed. We hope to have everyone on their way shortly. The

Alpha King, Alpha Lucas, Luna Queen Anne and Luna Ava will let you know when you can move freely again.”

“Well, if she’s here, then I can be too.” She whines like a four year old and begins her stomp down the stairs.

“Nope! I just had a question, warrior to warrior, about the trials yesterday and since I can’t mindlink my buddy Osiston here, I came down to ask. Now I’m headed back up to wake the guys up. They were all dead to the world when I left them. The party must have gotten wild after I left.” I wink at the Warrior who looks a little dumbstruck at my lie, but goes with it.

“Skylar, come find me before we leave, I would love to finish our conversation.” His cheek twitches like he wanted to smile, but the act was foreign to him. And how did he know my name? He wasn’t a part of the wolves who checked us in and none of the rest of the trainers used our names during the trials.

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I nod and turn to walk back up the stairs. “You were put up with Cameron and Dakota?” She takes a deep deliberate inhale. Obviously catching the scent off the sweatshirt to answer her own question. “How did you manage that? I was told no one but warriors were being added to that floor, even when all of the beds had been given out. I know, I was the last to be assigned a spot, and some moron tried to put me on the floor in the formal living room. I had to explain who I was and then move a lesser pack member myself.” She sounds almost shocked, not like her usual high pitched voice. For sure still that entitled elitist attitude though.

“Seeing as Skylar is both a warrior and lives in the Packhouse, I see no reason for her to explain the arrangements she has with your Alpha and Luna.” Osiston answered before I could. I took another couple of slow steps up the stairs trying to make some distance between her and I before she decided to use her claws against me. But her attention was no longer on me.

Kaley turns to face him fully, throwing a hand on her hip. “And how do you know her name so well, when

you call the rest of us child or children? I am going to be the next Luna, you would do well to learn my name warrior.” There’s the condescending tone I know.

Osiston stands to his full height, his chest looks even wider like this. “Let’s be clear, Luna or not I would still outrank you, so knowing your name is of no priority to me until such time as the Moon Goddess herself decides you are worthy of being a Luna. And even then you would do well to speak with respect. Next, everyone of significance knows Skylar’s name because of her efforts in the trials. She has made a name amongst the King’s warriors and guards because of her fighting skills, which are unmatched by anyone else in this pack and her respectful nature towards everyone in her pack and visiting packs. You, child, must earn the right to have your name known and more importantly remembered.” He stares at Kaley for a moment before his eyes glaze over briefly.

“Skylar, your Luna would like to see you in her room, it will be faster for you to take the elevator from this floor. Nickolas is waiting for you.” He moves to step more in front of Kaley to give me space to pass. Once I have rounded the banister and started walking toward the back of the staircase I hear him finish, “You, child, will be put into the cells if you cannot follow an instruction as simple as ‘stay in your room until you

are called.' This is your last warning. Move." He didn't yell the last word, but the growl that accompanied it sent a shiver down my spine, there was no denying the menace and power that was rolling off of him.

I got to the elevator and smiled at Nickolas. "Are you going to give me answers, or are you going to be vague like Warrior Osiston? I went to bed early last night, what's going on? I woke up with five boys and my best friend in my room."

"I can't say much, not here anyway. There was a threat and we went on lockdown. Anyone that lives inside a mile of the packhouse was escorted home, which was most of the pack members that were still here last night. The rest of the warriors who were still here were divided up into the guest rooms and, as you saw, throughout the packhouse. The guys volunteered to stay in your room and give up their space to the elite warriors taking shifts to run extra patrols."

"Okay. Well that is at least more than I got from Warrior Osiston." I shrugged my shoulders and let it go. I figured we were playing it safe for security. I'll get my answers, whatever the Alpha thinks is necessary, in time.

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“Someday you’re going to have to tell me how you got him to soften up to you so quickly.”

“Huh?”

“Warrior Brogan. He doesn’t usually give his name so quickly, let alone his first name.” That was all, no other explanation.

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