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Chapter 81

Ch 81 The Three

Back at New Dawn, everyone went with the last group to the dining hall to eat. Arella, Cassandra, and Ophelia latched onto Thea as they got out of the SUV. The triplets were surprised, but they understood they were little kids, and Thea had just saved them. They could forego holding onto Thea themselves for a moment. They went to help the injured.

“Hey,” Thea said as they walked to the pack house. “Do you have any family here?”

The girls shook their heads.

“Do you know anyone from the pack? Were you from Crescent Moon?” Thea said.

“We weren’t allowed to leave the Alpha’s chambers,” Cassandra said. “No family. No friends. Just us.” 1

“That’s why the others don’t know you?” Thea said.

They nodded.

“How did you hear about this? How did you know to come?” Thea said.

“We saw it in our dreams,” Cassandra and Arella said in unison.

“Dreams?” Thea said.

“You were in them,” Cassandra said.

“We saw people running through the woods,” Arella said. “A white wolf with three mates came and saved us. We knew we had to sneak out tonight.”

Thea’s eyes went wide. “No one told you?”

“No. Just the dreams,” Arella said.

“Do you have dreams like that often?”

The girls nodded.

“You see things in your dreams, and then they happen?” Thea said.

They nodded.

“Is that why the Alpha kept you in his chambers?” Thea said.

“Not the only reason,” Ophelia said.

Thea’s blood boiled. She understood that the Alpha of Crescent Moon had abused these girls in addition to using them for whatever powers they had.

“I won’t let anyone hurt you ever again,” Thea said.

“We know,” Arella, Cassandra, and Ophelia said in unison. Their grips on her tightened, and they unconsciously pulled their bodies closer to hers. 1

“You’re the only one who can protect us,” Cassandra said.

“Is that what your dreams told you?” Thea said.

They nodded.

“We’ve been waiting and planning a long time,” Cassandra said.

“We had to hide what we saw from Alpha Jett,” Ophelia said.

“It was hard,” Arella said. “He watches us all the time. Even when he’s not there, he can hear us. We had to be very careful to make sure we could escape tonight.”

“This was our only chance,” Ophelia said.

“We made it,” Cassandra said.

“We made it,” Ophelia and Arella echoed.

“You made it,” Thea said. “You were very brave and very smart. I’m so glad you got out. I’m glad you’re here. You outsmarted the Alpha and saved yourselves. I’m so proud of you.”

The girls beamed at Thea. Their eyes sparkled through their tangled hair and dirty faces.

They reached the dining hall, and Thea set up the girls at a table. Servers brought out fresh, hot meals for everyone.

Thea waved over the pack doctor. "Will you see to their wounds?"

"Yes, Luna," Dr. Boman said.

"I have to take care of some things," Thea said to the girls. "Are you okay here without me for a bit? Will you eat?"

They looked at each other, not letting go of Thea.

"I promise you're safe here," Thea said.

"Is that what you want us to do?" Ophelia said.

It hit Thea that these girls had only ever been slaves. They always had to do what their Alpha abuser made them do. They probably expected her to tell them what to do. They didn't know anything else.

"I want you to feel safe here, even when I'm not with you," Thea said.

They looked panicked at the idea that Thea wouldn't be with them all the time.

"I want you to eat," Thea said. "I want you to get your injuries treated by the doctor here. He's a very nice man. You can trust him. This is my home. It's yours too now."

"If you say we're safe, we believe you," Cassandra said. Arella and Ophelia nodded.

"You're safe," Thea said.

They slowly let go of their grip on her. They started eating the food in front of them as the doctor treated their wounds.

Thea joined the triplets, and they ate alongside Delta team.

The pack doctor went around, seeing to wounds while everyone ate.

"It's only a matter of time before all the packs realize they have people missing," Alaric said in mind link to Delta team and the triplets. "But that last one, Crescent Moon, will know they had help from the outside. Let's get our patrolmen equipped with Mr.

Garrity's weapons ASAP."

"We'll double the patrol too," Liam replied in mind link.

“When they figure out we have their people, what do you think they’re likely to do?”
Thea said.

“Crescent Moon is a small pack,” Kai said in mind link. “Half the population are slaves and omegas. They don’t have a lot of warriors. There isn’t much they could do by themselves.”

“If they get other packs on their sides, they could mount an offense,” Conri said.

“I think we need to prepare for every possible scenario,” Thea said in mind link. “Not to alarm anyone, but I think we may have taken some gifted kids from that last pack. Crescent Moon’s Alpha is going to want them back.”

“What do you mean gifted?” Alaric said in mind link.

“Those three girls I brought back were completely isolated from the rest of the pack—locked in the Alpha’s chambers. No one told them about escaping. They had a dream about tonight. That’s why they escaped. They said they often have dreams that come true. I don’t know much else yet.”

“They could be gifted, or maybe they’re oracles,” Conri said in mind link.

“They could have witch bloodlines,” Kai said in mind link.

“I don’t know,” Thea said in mind link. “Whatever they are, I think they can see the future. I’ll try to see what I can sense from them tomorrow.”

“That does change things,” Liam said in mind link. “If they were just regular slaves and omegas, their old packs may not think it worth it to attack us. Three missing oracles is a reason to go to war.”

The group was silent for a moment.

“Nothing is likely to happen tonight,” Alaric said. “Let’s sleep on this. We can come back refreshed tomorrow. Then we can bring thoughts, concerns, ideas. Go over how the packs are likely to retaliate and what we can mitigate. See if we need to make changes to how we patrol. Explore every angle.”

“Yes, Alpha. We’ll have ideas by tomorrow,” Liam said.

“Thank you all,” Thea added. “You were brilliant.”

Thea, the triplets, Lizzy, and Alessia showed this last group their quarters, the showers, the clothes room. Thea showed the three girls the routine. They showered quickly, and Thea helped them pick out some clothes. Then she took them to a room with a triple bunkbed.

"This will be your room," Thea said.

"Are you going to lock us in?" Cassandra said.

"No," Thea said. "The only lock is on the inside. Only you can lock it. You aren't prisoners or slaves here. You're free to go wherever you want. Well, you shouldn't go into other people's rooms unless they invite you. Just like no one should come into your room unless you invite them."

Thea brushed their wet hair as they settled into their new room. Now that it was clean, Thea could see they all had brown hair to match their brown eyes. 2

"Time to sleep," Thea said. "I'll see you tomorrow."

"Goodnight, Luna," they said.

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Ch 82 Reprimand and Cool Off

Once they were in their bedroom, the triplets scolded Thea for running off on her own.

"I'm sorry I scared you," Thea said.

"I know you can take care of yourself," Kai said. "Please don't shut us out of mind link."

"Please tell us what you're doing when you're doing it," Alaric said.

"Okay, yes. You're right. I'm sorry. I didn't think. I just acted. I felt the girls, and I felt how close they were to the border, and that

took over. I'll do better next time."

Conri hugged her tight. Thea remembered what Lizzy said about him and how he couldn't stand to be far from her.

"I'm sorry, Conri," Thea said softly. She wrapped her arms around him. "I didn't mean to leave you. I got caught up with saving the girls. I'll call you to come with me next time."

He relaxed. That was the right thing to say to him.

“Let me know where you’re going, and I’ll be there to back you up,” Conri said. “I won’t stop you. I’ll help you.”

She lifted her head and looked at him.

“You’re the best,” she said.

He nuzzled her nose then rested his forehead on hers.

“I love you,” he said in mind link.

“Did you know that I bought a bunch of relationship books and was studying them before I lost my memory?” Thea said out loud. “I wanted to be the best girlfriend possible for you guys. Lizzy showed me the stack of books in the library today.”

Alaric smiled. Kai laughed. Conri nuzzled into Thea’s neck.

“Looks like I could use a refresher course,” Thea said.

Kai and Alaric came up behind her.

“You’re doing great, darling,” Kai said. “Enough reprimanding. I need to feel you.” He lifted her shirt. Conri released his hold on her so he could take it off.

“Shower?” Thea said. “I’m a little muddy.”

“And bloody,” Conri said.

They stripped and went to the shower.

They washed quickly, then Alaric slid his hands around Thea’s waist.

“Tell me how you saved those girls, my love,” Alaric said. “I wish I could have seen you in action.”

Thea smiled at him. She gave him the play-by-play.

“You can put people to sleep?” Kai said.

“I guess.”

“That’s interesting. What did you do at the start tonight? I felt energized,” Kai said.

“I pulled energy from the Earth and funneled it into everyone.”

“My gifted Luna,” Alaric said. He looked at her with love in his eyes and ran his hands up her back.

“Do you forgive me?” Thea said.

“Of course, my love,” Alaric said.

“Yes, darling,” Kai said.

“I can’t stay mad at you, babe,” Conri said.

“Seeing you run out of the woods, bleeding child refugees on your back,” Kai said. “It was sexy as hell.”

Thea turned her head toward Kai. She reached for him and pulled him in for a kiss.

“You were beautiful. Thea in all her glory,” Alaric said. She turned back toward him. Her hand pulled Kai to her back as she tilted her head to kiss Alaric. Kai kissed his mark on her shoulder.

Thea reached her other hand to Conri and pulled him over. He kissed his mark on her other shoulder.

“You were amazing to watch in action,” Conri said. 3

Thea’s hands slid up to Alaric’s neck. His hands slid down to her legs and lifted her up to straddle him. She started adjusting to get him inside her. He pushed her back.

“We need a condom,” Alaric said, breaking their kiss.

“I’ll be back,” Kai said. He left the shower.

Conri’s fingers slid inside Thea’s pussy from behind. He dragged her juices up and started massaging her backside. She whined and rubbed against Alaric.

Kai returned with three condoms. He opened one and handed it to

Thea. She rolled it onto Alaric. He lifted her then lowered her onto his cock. She gasped and bit her lip.

“Kai, will you touch my breasts?” Thea thought to Kai.

“Yes, darling. Tell me what you want. I’ll give it to you,” Kai thought to her. His hands went to her breasts.

“Kiss your mark, Kai,” Thea thought.

He kissed his mark on her shoulder while he kneaded her breasts.

“Goddess, I love it when you touch me,” Thea thought to Kai. “ Especially when you touch your mark.”

Thea pulled Alaric into an open-mouthed kiss. She explored his mouth with her tongue, moaning and whining in pleasure.

Conri got one of the condoms, put it on, then slid into her backside as he bit down on his mark.

Thea cried out in pleasure.

“How do you get me so worked up?” she thought to them.

“You belong to us,” Conri said.

“Show me,” she thought.

Alaric and Conri moved inside her.

Conri growled against his mark as he came. The growl vibrated through her whole body, sending sparks everywhere. Thea came and Alaric right after. Conri pulled out of her. Alaric and Thea kissed a little more, then he pulled out of her and set her down.

Kai turned her to face him and pulled her into a kiss. After a minute, he pulled away, grabbed the last condom, and put it on. He gripped her hips and turned her to face away from him.

“Spread your legs and bend over, darling,” Kai thought to her.

She did. Alaric knelt in front of her. He trailed his fingers over his mark on her shoulder. Sparks shot through both their bodies. Thea slid her hands around his neck and pulled him in for a kiss.

Kai positioned himself at her entrance, gripped her hips, and pushed in. He built up a rhythm, hitting a spot inside her that drove her crazy.

Alaric’s hands went to Thea’s breasts. Conri’s fingers found her clit and massaged it.

Thea was coming in no time, but they didn’t let up. Kai quickened his pace, Alaric got more passionate. Conri kept up the pressure.

“That’s right, darling, come for us,” Kai thought to her. “Let go.”

“Harder, Kai,” Thea thought to him.

Kai happily obliged. Thea reached another climax, but it didn't die out. It held steady, her whole body on fire.

"I can't take anymore," Thea thought after a while. "I'm going to collapse."

Kai let himself release, then he pulled her up, turned her around, and held her against him. She melted into him. After a while, she started to fall asleep, so he grabbed a towel and picked her up. He dried her off and put her in their bed.

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Chapter 83

Ch 83 Play it Cool

Thea woke up in the morning to Kai and Alaric cuddled up to her on either side and Conri lying between her legs with his head on her stomach. Her arms were wrapped around Kai and Alaric, and she trailed her fingers up and down their bare skin.

The triplets stirred and snuggled closer to Thea. Alaric took her nipple into his mouth. Kai did the same on her other side. Her hips tilted, and Conri slid down, taking her clit into his mouth.

A little while later, they were showered, dressed, and ready for the day.

"I want to stay and help everyone settle in, but we have to go to school like everything is normal, right?" Thea said.

"Yeah. Don't worry. There are plenty of people here to help them," Alaric said.

"I'm going to check in on the girls," Thea said. She went to their room and was about to knock when the door opened. 1

"Hi, Luna," Ophelia said.

"Hi. Did you know I was coming?"

Ophelia nodded.

Thea smiled. "I have to go to school right now, but I wanted to say good morning before I left. Is there anything you need?"

“Nothing we need,” Ophelia said.

“Does someone else need something?” Thea said.

“He needs you,” Cassandra said.

“Who?”

“He’ll be an Alpha. He’s confused and sad. He doesn’t know what to do. You’ll need him later,” Cassandra said.

Thea looked confused.

“Nothing bad will happen today. It’s Friday you won’t like,” Arella said.

“Okay,” Thea said. This would take some getting used to. “I want you girls to eat today. Will you?”

“Yes, Luna.”

“Do you remember how to get to the dining hall?”

They nodded.

“I’ll see you after school, okay?”

“Bye, Luna,” they said.

Thea was on high alert, but school was uneventful. She kept herself open, constantly reaching out to everyone with her gift. Most of the students didn’t know anything had happened because their packs hadn’t noticed. The last pack, Crescent Moon, knew some of their slaves and omegas had escaped in the night, but the students weren’t part of the discussions.

When she scanned the students, she noticed that most of them were just going about a normal day at school. Some felt scared. She felt deeper into those, and she read a similar pattern in them. She thought it might be abuse. She wondered if these people had heard about the option to come to New Dawn and chose not to come or if they didn’t know there was another option.

Another set of students felt different. Off. Dark. She could assume these were the people abusing the scared ones. She was sure there were adults in their packs who did it too, but she focused on who she could feel right now.

At lunch, in the cafeteria, Thea mind linked the triplets to find out the names of the people, and she started a list for the dark ones and another for the scared ones.

“Do you guys think these people who are scared have heard about the option to come to New Dawn?” Thea said in mind link.

“I doubt word has gotten to everyone. Not everyone knows each other, and not everyone knows who is being abused,” Alaric said in mind link.

“I wonder if I should go talk to all of them,” Thea thought.

“We do have a group coming home with us today right after sixth hour. The more, the merrier, right?” Conri said.

“Although, we don’t want to mess it up for the people who are going today. If the wrong person found out, they could try to stop us,” Kai said.

“Some of these people will have family or friends in their pack that they would want to bring along. They’d have to go home today to tell them and then make other plans to get them out. Maybe I talk to them tomorrow?”

“That sounds reasonable,” Alaric said.

Thea finished her lists then dug into her lunch.

“I did some research on amnesia and memory retrieval,” Misty said. “There are a lot of options and things to try if you want to, but the most effective one seems to be doing things from childhood. The deeper or older the memory, the better. Smells, sights, sounds. Involve the senses—that type of thing. So if you went swimming a lot as a child, go swimming. If you baked cakes, do that.”

“Hmm,” Conri said. “We spent most of our childhood training.”

“We’ve been taking a break from that as she’s been healing,” Alaric said. “Since she’s gotten her wolf, she seems back to her full strength. We could probably add it back to the routine.”

Garret Knight walked up to their table.

“Can I talk with you for a minute?” he said, looking at Thea.

“Of course,” Thea said. “Want to go outside?”

Garret nodded. Once they were out of earshot, Garret started talking.

“I don’t know what you said to Xavier yesterday, but it’s like he flipped a switch. He’s a different person. He admitted to killing our mother.”

“I’m so sorry,” Thea said.

"We thought she got sick, but he poisoned her. We had no idea. He admitted to everything. Everything he could remember anyway. There was so much. He'd go into the city and do most of his depravities there. He was horrified and disgusted at the things he did. I thought maybe he could be rehabilitated, but he doesn't have the will to live. He said the burden is too big. He's done too many unforgivable things. He wants to die. I'm glad I got to see some humanity in him before he goes. Thank you for whatever you did." "You're welcome," Thea said. "I'm so sorry you're going through this. It's awful."

"I don't know how to make restitution on his behalf. He's our responsibility. His crimes are ours now."

"No. His crimes were his own. He knew he had to hide them from you guys because you guys would've made him stop. He knew what he was doing was wrong and punishable, and he hid it. You guys were the only thing holding him back from doing worse."

"I still feel like I owe his victims something."

"I can't tell you what to do, but I believe you already did the most important thing. You stopped him. Let the dust settle a bit. You need time to grieve the loss of your brother. Or who you thought your brother was, and who he could have been."

Garret nodded.

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Chapter 84

Ch 84 Welcome Wagon

Right after the bell rang to start sixth period, a group congregated around Thea's locker. They made their way to New Dawn, got a warm meal, saw the pack doctor. Thea and the triplets showed them their new rooms, showers, the clothes room.

A little while later, Thea and the triplets gathered all the newcomers from school and the rescue operation. Cassandra, Arella, and Ophelia latched onto Thea again.

"They've imprinted on you like baby ducks," Kai thought to Thea.

"Baby ducks don't give you cryptic advice about the future," Thea thought back.

"No, they don't." He chuckled.

“We understand if you need more time,” Conri said to the group. “ But are any of you ready to join our pack?”

The whole group raised their hands. Thea smiled.

“First thing, you have to reject your old packs,” Alaric said.

Alaric told them what words to say. They all said the words. Weights were lifted from their bodies. They all felt lighter.

“Next step, we accept you into New Dawn. If you could form a line, we’ll get everyone done right now,” Kai said.

They lined up, and each person walked up to the triplets and gave them their name. Thea stood nearby. The triplets took turns saying the words to accept each person into the pack. Thea beckoned each new member over to her afterward. She wrote down their name, age, former pack, what experience they had, and if they knew of any interests they had going forward. None of the former slaves had any education. They had never gone to school. The adults would need basic schooling. The children would need remedial lessons to catch up but eventually could go to school. Arella, Cassandra, and Ophelia stood beside Thea the whole time, watching her.

Thea felt into each one and made notes about what she felt. She could sense warrior blood in many of them. She wondered at what point in their bloodline they were demoted to omegas or slaves—starved so they could never reach their full potential or strength, beaten down mentally from day one, so they never believed they could be more than slaves. In others, she felt an aptitude for academics, healing, administration, teaching, all sorts of things they never had the opportunity to explore. She would make sure they had the opportunity here.

She could also sense that the latent energy of the pack was healing them. Much like she had done with Xavier, their DNA was repairing itself and reaching its highest potential. She also sensed that each one was grateful to be there. No one had nefarious intentions.

There was still fear in most of them. They thought this must be some kind of trap to get more slaves. Time would heal that.

Halfway through they could see the difference in the people who were now pack members and the ones who weren’t yet. The pack members were glowing, looked healthier, taller, more confident. The others were beat down, skinny, small. Thea had the newcomers from the previous week come to her as well. Every new pack member was interviewed.

The three girls were last. Thea had to send them over to the triplets.

“It’s your turn if you want to join our pack,” Thea said.

They reluctantly left her, gave the triplets their names, let them accept them into the pack, and hurried back to Thea. When she felt into them, they felt different than everyone else. She wasn’t sure why. She didn’t know what they felt like. They just didn’t feel the same as everyone else. Maybe it was magic she was feeling. Maybe that was what oracles felt like. She just didn’t know.

They had nearly two hundred new pack members from six different packs when they finished. A third were male. An average pack size was two hundred wolves. That meant these packs lost nearly twenty percent of their people. If they didn’t notice the missing members before, they would have felt them reject and leave the pack just now. It would have been a dramatic scene. The whole pack feeling the loss of so many.

“We want you to discover what your interests are,” Thea said to the group. “If you haven’t been allowed to learn to read, we’ll provide classes for you. You can get a job outside the pack, or if there’s something inside the pack you want to do, we’ll match you with your interests.”

The group looked at each other in awe.

“Do any of you know more people who want to leave your old packs?” Thea said. “I’d like to get an idea of how many more people are in bad situations. I know some of them won’t know they have another option. Some may not want to leave or may not believe it would be any better somewhere else. Think about it. We’ll talk about it later. Also, I’d like to get an idea of who in your old packs is doing the abusing. None of you are under any obligation to talk about yourselves or the abuse you endured. But if you could give me an idea of who the people were doing the abusing, that

would be helpful. Is it the Alpha only? Are there warriors who bully others? Is everyone in on it? Any information will be helpful.”

“For now,” Conri said. “It’s time for pack training. Everyone in New Dawn learns the basics of self-defense. If you have an aptitude for fighting and want to pursue it, you can get advanced training, even join the warriors. You have plenty of time to decide. Follow me!”

Conri led the group outside to the training field. Several pack warriors were leading the training. He went up to them, and training halted.

“We have new pack members today. This is their first-ever training lesson,” Conri said out loud. Then he mind linked the old members of the pack. “Help them. Make friends with them. Build them up.”

People from the training field walked over to the newcomers and guided them into the group, partnering with them. Lizzy, Alessia, and another girl whose name she learned was Tessa, came up to Thea and the three girls.

“Go with them,” Thea said to the girls. “They’ll show you what to do.”

The girls looked at Thea, then finally let go of her.

“Good girls,” Thea said.

The warriors started explaining some basics to the group. “It may seem intimidating at first, but you will get used to it. Training will build up your confidence. You can’t always count on someone else to be there to protect you. You will learn how to fight back if need be. Our pack is the biggest and strongest in the area. We don’t

usually have issues with anyone trying to attack us. Some people get jobs in the city, and we want you to be able to protect yourselves no matter where you are.” “They’re doing good,” Alaric said in mind link. “Let’s go.”

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Ch 85 Preparations

“How do we go about getting something set up to teach the exslaves how to read?” Thea thought to the triplets as they walked toward the pack house.

“Aren’t there some retired teachers in the pack?” Conri said over mind link.

“Yeah. Aldo Brown and Senan Moore,” Alaric said.

“Let’s talk to them,” Kai said. “You know, we’re going to need our own offices here pretty soon. Somewhere to meet on official pack business.”

“I’d say we need them today,” Conri said.

“We’ll talk to Maggie about getting it set up,” Alaric said. “For now, the coffee shop?”

Conri and Kai nodded.

Alaric mind linked Aldo and Senan and asked them to meet them at the coffee shop in the village. Then he mind linked Maggie about getting their offices set up.

A few minutes later, they were sitting in the coffee shop with Aldo and Senan.

“Thank you for meeting us here,” Alaric said.

“Of course, Alpha,” Aldo said.

“As you know, we’ve had an influx of pack members,” Kai said. “A good number of them were formerly slaves, and they have no formal education. We want to teach them to read.”

“Will you help us get something set up?” Conri said.

“Of course,” Aldo said.

“We’d be delighted to dust off the old teaching skills,” Senan said.

“Excellent,” Alaric said. “What do you need?”

“We can do the main teaching, but we’ll need some other people to help,” Aldo said. “People to go around and help individuals with their work. Two teachers can’t cover over a hundred students at once.”

“Do you want us to send out a request for volunteers? Or do you have people in mind?” Alaric said.

“I think we know enough people who can help,” Senan said. “We’ll talk to them today.”

“You know, they’ll need to learn basic math too,” Aldo said.

“This is why we came to you,” Alaric said.

“We’ll need a space big enough for the group,” Aldo said.

“We can designate some of the ballrooms,” Kai said. “One for math, the other for reading? Or do you need to separate age groups?”

“We can start with two ballrooms,” Aldo said. “See what we’re working with and go from there.”

The triplets nodded.

“What else do you need?” Thea said.

“We’ll need paper, pencils, books, chalkboard,” Senan said.

“I don’t know where to go for those things,” Alaric said.

“Don’t worry,” Aldo said. “Occupational hazard. We know where to order teaching supplies.”

“Whatever resources you need, you have,” Kai said. “We’ll get the pack accountants to give you a card so you can make the orders.”

“How soon will you be ready to start?” Conri said.

“I think we could be ready by Monday,” Senan said, looking at Aldo.

“Yes, we’ll have enough to get going on Monday,” Aldo said.

“Let’s go talk to Maggie, get the rooms secured, then we can start setting them up,” Alaric said. “Maggie will assign pack house staff to assist you getting tables and chairs, whatever else you need.”

The group went to the pack house. They visited the pack accountants, then went to Maggie, the pack house manager, and explained what they needed. The triplets and Thea left Aldo and Senan with her to get things sorted.

“I think it’ll be good for the newcomers to have something to occupy their time while they’re getting used to being here,” Conri said.

“After they learn how to read, they can shadow people in their professions, see what their interests are,” Thea said.

“Good thinking,” Kai said.

“Can we go to the apothecary?” Thea said. “I want to see the guy that’s making the crowd control weapons.”

“Yeah, this way,” Conri said.

He led the way towards the apothecary store.

“Mr. Garrity,” Conri said when they walked in.

“Alphas, Luna,” Mr. Garrity said.

“Thankyou for the help last night. The weapons were invaluable,” Alaric said.

“Of course,” he said. “I’m already working on more for our patrolmen.”

"Thank you. That's actually not why I'm here. I wanted to see if you would let me use my gift on you," Thea said. "I'm still learning what all I can do, but I might be able to boost your abilities. At least give you energy."

"By all means, please do," Mr. Garrity said.

She felt into his brain.

"Will you think about your work?" Thea said. "As if you were working on something."

"Sure."

Thea sensed the parts of his brain that lit up. She funneled energy to those parts, intended that those parts be supercharged, more plastic, more able to connect neurons and work better. Then she funneled in energy to charge him and his body in general.

"Wow," Mr. Garrity said. "I feel smarter. More energized. That was incredible."

Thea smiled. "Let me know if it helps."

"I will. Can I ask what you did?"

Her Delta team guards were interested in her answer.

"I could sense what parts of your brain lit up while you were thinking about working, and I funneled energy to those parts to boost them."

"Hmm. I wonder if you could sense wolfsbane and reverse engineer an antidote."

"What's wolfsbane?"

Mr. Garrity raised his eyebrows then looked at the triplets.

"Her memory loss was thorough," Alaric said.

Mr. Garrity turned back to Thea. "It's a plant, and it's poisonous to werewolves. There's no known antidote. You asked me to look into creating an antidote."

"I'll give it a go. Do you have some available?" Thea said.

"One moment." He disappeared through a door and reappeared with a tray of wolfsbane in different forms. "Depending on the preparation, the poison is more potent, acts faster. Do you get anything off these?"

Thea felt into the different forms. Even though they all had a similar energy signature, she could read the plant the best. It still had life in it.

“The feeling I’m getting off it is that there’s a molecule in the werewolf body that this attacks. If you could protect that molecule somehow so the wolfsbane couldn’t hurt it, I think you’d be fine.”

“I’ve been doing some research,” Mr. Garrity said. “Reaching out to scientists. All of the molecules in our bodies communicate with

each other. They signal what kind of molecule they are, and they have receptors to see what’s around them. There’s a branch of medicine that creates drugs to block the receptors or trick them so the bad stuff can’t get in. Or they mess up the bad molecule’s ability to signal the receptor, again, so it can’t get into the cell to damage it. If we could create something on either end, we might have an antidote.”

“That sounds like a good place to start,” Thea said.

“Yes, it does.”

“Is there anything you need from us? Do you need assistants?

More equipment to make larger quantities? We’ve added a lot of pack members, and we may have to fight to keep them safe. I don’t want any of our people getting hurt. Your creations may be an integral part of keeping people safe.”

“To mass produce, yes, I’ll need some new equipment and probably an assistant or two.”

“Whatever you need, you have,” Alaric said. “We’d like to get the border patrol equipped ASAP.”

“Yes, sir. I understand.”

“I may have someone who would be a great apprentice,” Thea said. “One of the refugees. She was a slave, a cook mostly, but I got the feeling from her that she has an affinity for potions and combining herbs. You can, of course, hire whoever you want—”

“If you have a feeling about her, I would love to try her out,” Mr. Garrity said.

Thea smiled. “You know they’re all a bit skittish. She may need time to adjust to things here.”

“Of course.”

“Thea,” Alaric said in mind link. “It’s time for the meeting with Delta team.”

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Thea and the triplets went to the oath room. Delta team and Alpha Ulric were waiting for them. It was becoming their unofficial meeting room. No one else used it, and it was special to them.

Someone had brought in a big dry erase board.

“Seems like we’re going to be having meetings like this on a regular basis,” Alaric said. “Maybe we should get this room set up officially?”

“Agreed,” Liam said. “I’ll see to it, Alpha.”

Once everyone settled, Thea looked at Liam. “Would you?” Thea said.

“Yes, Luna,” Liam said. He stood up and went to the front of the room. “What all do we need to cover today?”

“The girls,” Thea said.

“Defense against retaliation,” Maverick said.

“Let’s add Thea’s training to the list,” Alaric said.

“Thea’s gift,” Kai said.

“Last night’s op,” Conri said.

Liam wrote down each subject on the whiteboard.

“Anything else?” The room was silent. “Let’s start with a postmortem on the op itself.”

Sounds of agreement.

“Things ran smoothly,” Liam said. “Execution was pitch perfect excepting the end when we lost the Luna. Putting a pin in that, logistics were good. Communication was clear. Coordination good. Each pickup was where and when it was supposed to be. The crowd control weapons were great.”

“The pick up from Cold Moon, Eclipse, and Far Side went off without a hitch,” Owen said. “Storm Moon was fine because the Luna was able to take out the patrolman who caught the group.

Crescent Moon was where we had trouble.”

“I don’t know if Crescent Moon had more patrolmen than the other packs or if they already have a problem with people trying to escape, or if they were just unlucky with their timing,” Thea said.

“Delta team handled the situation perfectly,” Alaric said. “You took out all the patrolmen without lethal force, and we got all the refugees.”

“Delta team is a well-oiled machine,” Conri said. “We could probably use some practice with you guys if we’re doing more ops together.” He motioned to the triplets and Thea.

“Especially if I’m using my gift. I need to figure out what’s useful,” Thea said.

“It was useful when you told us what you sensed,” Liam said. “Luna, will you take us through everything you did with your gift last night? Start with what you did to us at the beginning.”

Thea nodded. “Before we left, I pulled energy up from the Earth and funneled it into everyone to boost our senses, energy levels, focus.”

“That was nice,” Maverick said.

“It made a difference,” Liam said.

“Anytime you need something like that, just let me know,” Thea said. “It’s not difficult.”

“You were able to tell us where people were and if they were good or bad,” Liam said. “Tell us more about that.”

“I can sense life. Trees feel different from insects, feel different from animals, and so on. I could sense the people in the woods each time. On the second to last pickup, I sensed the group had stopped. They weren’t moving, and they were scared. Strong emotions like that are easier to pick up on. I isolated the one guy that wasn’t scared, just confused. I figured he was the patrolman. He caught them and questioned them. Just like funneling energy into you guys, I can drain it from others. I did that to him, but it didn’t do enough to let them escape. I felt into his brain and manipulated the brainwaves to put him to sleep. I felt him fall to the ground. Then the group ran.”

“You can put people to sleep?” Logan said.

“Looks that way,” Thea said.

“Will you show us?” Jonah said.

“Anyone willing to demonstrate?” Thea said.

Several Delta team members raised their hands. Thea remembered the sleeping brain wave pattern, reached into Maverick’s mind, and synced them up. Maverick slumped over onto Landon, who was sitting next to him.

“Woah,” Landon said. “He’s out.”

Thea felt into Landon’s brain and synced Maverick’s waves to Landon’s. He woke up and shook his head.

“That was something,” Maverick said.

“What else can you sense? What can you do?” someone said. Thea thought for a moment and remembered his name was Ryker.

“I don’t know. I need to practice and experiment,” Thea said. “On the last pickup, I sensed the people running, scared, and other people chasing, not scared. I drained the patrolmen, and it slowed them a bit, and some of them stumbled and fell. It made them clumsy. I could feel where everyone was. I could sense the borders of the pack lands. When everyone was busy fighting, patrolmen caught the three girls. They started dragging them back. I felt their fear. That’s when I ran into the woods.”

“I don’t like how you ran off by yourself,” Conri said.

Thea sensed agreement from everyone in the room.

“I know. I won’t do it again,” Thea said.

“Why didn’t you just put them to sleep?” Kai said.

“I don’t know,” Thea said. “I didn’t think of it. I felt the girls’ fear, and I acted on instinct. I only just figured out how to put people to sleep. It’s not instinct yet.”

“Someone needs to stay on Thea at all times during ops,” Conri said. “So she can’t go off alone.”

Thea side-eyed Conri.

“If we had to kill someone, or one of us got killed, that could have taken you down,” Conri said. “We wouldn’t know where you were. You’d be defenseless. We don’t know enough about your gift yet. There needs to be someone with you all the time.”

“Someone is with me all the time,” Thea said.

“Not in an op situation,” Kai said. “No one was assigned to keep an eye on you, which is why you were able to slip away, and no one noticed. It’s different than your regular guard detail.”

“Alright,” Thea said. “I should have someone assigned to babysit me during ops.”

The room could tell they needed to work that out amongst themselves then let Thea know later.

“We should figure out how best to utilize Thea,” Alaric said. “If she can sense things at a distance, she may function best calling out what needs to be done.”

“Your gift should be priority number one,” Liam said. “You read the field, tell us where to go, where we’re needed. Like a watchtower. Play crowd control from afar. You get into the

fighting as a last resort. There are enough of us that we shouldn’t need you for that. Even though you’re one of our best fighters.

Your gift makes us all better.”

“I understand,” Thea said. “I need to practice what I should be doing. Maybe the old me would’ve known better what I should do, but I don’t have the experience. If we practice together, maybe you can tell me things to try with my gift, things that would be useful. See what all I can do.”

“We can devote time to it in training,” Kai said.

Everyone nodded.

“Speaking of training,” Alaric said. “We think it’s time for Thea to resume daily training. Since she shifted, her health seems fine.

She’s ready. Since she doesn’t remember anything, I’d feel better if she got back to it.”

“It’s also time to start training in her wolf form,” Alpha Ulric said. “All of you should be training in wolf form now. I know we’ve put some things on the back burner as Thea was healing.”

“Now we can get back to it,” Kai said.

“I need to practice using my gift too,” Thea said. “I know I need to relearn the physical fighting stuff, but I also need to devote time to the gift.”

Everyone nodded, thinking.

“Should we plan on resuming early morning training tomorrow?” Alaric said.

“Yes,” Kai, Conri, and Thea said.

“We’ll have four Delta team members with you each morning.

We’ll rotate through. Owen, would you get a schedule set up for that?” Liam said.

Owen nodded.

“We’ll start with physical stuff, then gift stuff, then work in ops training and everything else,” Liam said.

Everyone nodded.

“Keep in mind, after we graduate, we’ll have more time for practice,” Conri said.

“We’ll hit it hard after that,” Kai said.

“Anything else about the op itself?”

The room was silent.

“Update on the three girls,” Thea said. “I don’t know if they’re oracles, witches, gifted, or what, but they feel different from everyone else. Maybe I could feel into them while they’re having a vision, like I did with Mr. Garrity while he was thinking about work.”

“Tangent. Could you do that with us too?” Chase said. He was one of the guards on duty when Thea worked on Mr. Garrity. “Like while we’re tracking, you see what parts of our brain are involved, and then you boost them?”

“I don’t see why not,” Thea said. “Let’s get that worked into our schedule, yeah?”

Liam nodded, writing down notes.

“The girls are already predicting things,” Thea said. “This morning, they told me nothing would happen today, but I wouldn’t like Friday, and some future Alpha needs help. They’re kids, so their language is limited. It’s all very cryptic.”

“There’s nothing quite as creepy as kid prophets, is there?” Maverick said. A few of the men nodded in agreement.

“From what they’ve said, it’s clear the Alpha from Crescent Moon was using them,” Thea said. “He’s going to want them back. This is where my total lack of memory comes into play. What can we expect, and how do we prepare?”

“If Alpha Jett of Crescent Moon is serious enough, and he hears about the other packs that have slaves and omegas missing, he may try to form an alliance,” Landon said.

“I don’t think many would join him,” Maverick said. “I don’t think anyone else lost oracles. They probably wouldn’t think it was

worth it to attack. All our pack members have basic training, and we have ten times the numbers as any one pack. Our warriors are the best, and we basically have six Alpha-level wolves who fight. The odds are not in their favor.”

“Plus, we have alliances with other packs,” Alaric said. “We’re not alone.”

“And there are packs that would do anything to get in an alliance with us,” Kai said.

“That’s actually something else to consider,” Alpha Ulric said. “They could attack our allies to get to us.”

That took Thea off guard.

“What can we do to protect our allies?” Thea said.

“Warn them,” Alpha Ulric said. “Send warriors to reinforce theirs. Try to head it off with diplomacy.”

“Worst case scenario,” Thea said. “All six packs that lost members band together. What are the possibilities? What could or would they do?”

“They could try a direct assault,” Wyatt said. “Try to push through our borders and take over. They would have to have serious man and fire power to try it. They won’t win that fight.”

“Do we have bulletproof vests for our patrolmen?” Thea said.

“It’s not standard practice to wear them,” Alaric said. “Being able to shift easily is more important. Rogue attacks have never

involved guns, and rogue attacks make up most of the disturbances on patrol.”

“Do werewolves use guns?” Thea said.

“Not traditionally, no,” Kai said. “Doesn’t mean they can’t or won’t.”

“So when you say firepower, what are you talking about?” Thea said.

“I was using it as a figure of speech,” Wyatt said. “But, they could get creative. We don’t have good defenses against witches if they go that route. Other things they could do—they could set the forest on fire, then we’d be fighting two wars at once. Wolfsbane is another potential weapon. There are many ways they could use wolfsbane. Guns are a possibility, but they will only be a problem if they load them with silver bullets.”

“Wait,” Thea said. “Why?”

“Werewolves heal fast. Dig the bullet out, and you’ll heal pretty quick—”

“Even a bullet to the brain?” Thea said.

“Werewolves have thick skulls, like bears. Bullets don’t usually penetrate,” Conri said.

“Unless the bullet is silver,” Wyatt said. “Silver mutes our powers. We don’t heal from wounds made with silver.”

“Goddess, I feel like that’s a big thing not to know,” Thea said. “So wolfsbane and silver. Anything else?”

“Witches, vampires.”

“Vampires are real?” Thea said, eyes wide.

“Yeah. The necklace you’re wearing glows whenever a vampire is near,” Anders said.

“It’s like you all are playing poker, but I have Mahjong tiles in my hands,” Thea said.

Conri rubbed her shoulder.

“Would the old Thea have known all this? Did she study war tactics?” Thea said.

“Yes,” everyone in the room said.

Thea sighed. “Okay, vampires are real. I’ve adjusted. What are the odds those packs could get vampires or witches to fight with them?”

“I think it’s a matter of luck,” Landon said. “If an evil witch gets kicked out of her coven, sometimes she’ll approach a pack and strike up a deal. If they ensure her safety, she’ll work magic for them. Occasionally, a witch will mate with a werewolf. It’s rare. I don’t see groups of witches fighting with werewolves, ever.”

“Could they hire witches?” Thea said.

"I suppose it's possible," Landon said. "But again, lone witches, not a coven."

"What about how Crescent Moon got those girls in the first place," Thea said. "You said they could be from witch bloodlines. Crescent Moon may have bred them on purpose. Raped witches and kept the babies. Stolen babies from covens. Those girls don't know where they're from or who their families are. Maybe they're not wolves at all, and that's why they feel different."

"You think Crescent Moon has connections to witches?" Landon said.

"If anyone were to have a connection with witches, my money is on Crescent Moon. Though, I know next to nothing about

anything. I should defer to your knowledge and experience," Thea said.

"We'll keep that possibility at the forefront," Liam said.

"What about vampires?" Thea said.

"As a rule, vampires hate werewolves and stay away from them, and vice versa," Owen said. "I can't see those packs convincing any vampires to help them. There could be a lone vampire, exiled, who needs protection. But one vampire isn't going to turn the tides."

"I'm sorry you guys have to sit through these remedial lessons while I'm getting caught up on what seems like common sense," Thea said.

The men shook their heads.

"You never have to apologize, Luna," Maverick said.

"Thankyou," Thea said with a sigh. "Okay, so witches, vampires, rogues, guns, silver, wolfsbane, fire. These are options but highly unlikely. Do we all agree we don't need to make contingencies for these options?"

Everyone nodded.

"They could try to hold a summit meeting," Alaric said. "Do the diplomatic thing and ask for their people back. That could lead to open war, packs choosing sides. Or it could be a ploy to get us off pack lands. Attack us out in the open, or send their warriors to get the girls while we're away."

"Even so, with our current numbers and defense, they won't win," Kai said. "We may suffer losses, but they won't win."

"They could try to do a covert thing," Maverick said. "Sneak onto the pack lands and infiltrate. They could try some kind of Trojan horse scheme. They only need one or two guys to make it into the pack house to find those girls and kidnap them."

"So we up our patrols and set guards on the girls?" Thea said.

"Basically," Landon said.

"Should we move the girls up to our floor? Maybe next to our room?" Thea said.

"It'd be easier to keep an eye on them that way, but it also sets them apart from the rest of the newcomers," Owen said.

"That may not be a bad thing," Thea said. "It's only a matter of time before everyone knows what they are. Knowing the future is tempting. Regular people will want to use them all the time. I want them safe from that too."

"What about having a room in the Delta block?" Alpha Ulric said.

A few of the men shivered.

"What? The thought of having oracles living next to you freaks you out?" Alpha Ulric said.

"Little bit," Ryker said.

"Delta block sounds good. I'll talk to the girls and see what they're comfortable with," Thea said.

"Other things," Hunter said. "They could hire rogues as a distraction, sneak onto pack lands, find the girls and kidnap them."

"What about putting security cameras around the borders of the pack lands?" Thea said. "Infrared cameras for invisible things?"

Motion sensor traps that throw down a powder that will outline anyone invisible."

"That's ambitious," Alpha Ulric said. "Our territory is substantial."

"That would help with defense against witches as well," Alaric said. "Witches may not be able to hide the heat signature of camouflaged people."

"We'll look into it," Alpha Ulric said.

"Another option is that they could try to take the students when they go to school," Conri said.

"They are most vulnerable there," Jonah said.

"Of course, that would be an open act of war," Alaric said.

"They could claim we started it," Ryker said.

"Their people left of their own volition," Jonah said.

"We could be proactive," Thea said. "Take a stand. Let it be known what we're doing, what we stand for, and that we won't tolerate human rights' violations. We intend to eradicate the mistreatment of werewolves, and we will do it by force. If you're with us, we have your back. If you're against us, we'll destroy you."

"That is an option," Alpha Ulric said. "We should wait to show our cards. See how everyone responds to this first."

Thea nodded. "Can we do recon on these packs? Can we get dossiers put together on each pack? What we know for sure, what we suspect, what we need to find out?"

"We can get working on that," Garrin said.

"We spent time in private investigation," Ryker said. "This is our wheelhouse."

"Excellent," Thea said. "Seems like we can make better guesses if we have more information."

"Absolutely," Garrin said.

"I wonder what I could pick up on if I tried to sense what was going on inside the packs. Individual members, like the Alpha, and overall? I don't think I can read thoughts, but I feel intentions."

"How close do you have to be to read someone?" Logan said.

"I don't know. I need to start experimenting," Thea said. "So what do we do in the meantime for defense?"

"Longterm, we train everyone," Alpha Ulric said. "Add to the warriors and patrol."

"I sensed warrior blood in a lot of the refugees," Thea said. "I could sense their DNA mending. I think with time here in the pack, their DNA will fully realize, and they will be strong. Maybe they won't want to join the warriors, but at least they'll have an

aptitude for basic training. Maybe we'll have a lot of new recruits for patrol and such."

"We already have a significant influx of warriors in training from the open call a while back," Liam said.

"How are the new recruits doing with the warriors and patrol?" Alaric said.

"They've been shadowing patrol," Liam said. "Not quite ready to be by themselves. Give it another month."

"For now, we sit tight," Alpha Ulric said. "Our patrolmen are alert. They'll have crowd control weapons here shortly. We'll talk to our allied packs, make sure they're on board. Try to make new alliances before the evil packs do. Other than that, we wait and see how they respond. Anything else?"

"We got to everything on the list," Liam said.

They adjourned the meeting and went to pack dinner.

Arella, Ophelia, and Cassandra were sitting with Tessa, Lizzy, and Alessia in the dining hall. Thea stopped by to say hello.

"How did training go?" Thea said.

"It was fun," Arella said.

"People found their mates," Ophelia said.

"Really?" Thea said.

"Yes," Lizzy said. "A few of the new members from different packs found out they're mates."

Thea smiled. "That's wonderful. We'll probably need to rearrange rooms so they can be together."

"I can take care of that," Alessia said.

"Thank you," Thea said. "I'm going to go eat, but I'll see you after dinner."

"Can we go sit with Luna?" Arella said.

"No," Alessia said. "The Luna and Alphas have to sit at the head table. No one else is allowed to sit there during dinner."

The girls were disappointed but they obeyed.

After dinner, Thea put the girls to bed again. She brushed their hair and talked to them about their day.