

# Fates Hands by Lori Ameling

## Chapter 41

Val had placed spies all throughout the town, staying away from both the werewolf and werebear territories. This little town was still considered under their protection but it isn't guarded as much, from what Val saw it wasn't guarded as well as it could be, mostly though he still had to be carefull.

He found an older large house, on the outskirts of town. It was perfect as a base for him. It was hidden by a long drive, trees and overgrown bushes.

There were lots of rooms and the basement had only one way in or out. He found several strange things in the house that made him wonder about the previous owners.

Some rooms had locks on the outside of the doors, the basement even had shackles and chains still hooked up and ready. Goes to show you never know what goes on behind closed doors. This house had to be one of that Alpha Micheal's hide aways.

Who would of thought that the one weakness that both those packs had was this little sweet town, filled to the rim with humans. Val had two more ace's up his sleeve, he wasn't entirely sure about them but he knew he could buy them for a

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fair price:

Now all he had to do is wait. One thing Val knew he was good at was waiting. The art of the ambush was in his blood after all.

Duncan and Marco waited on the deck of the pack house, as two cars drove up escorted by Tack on his motorcycle. Duncan always laughed when he remembered how Jack hated riding in a car, he looked so uncomfortable.

Duncan watched as they all got out of the car's and walked up to them. Only one of them stood out to Duncan, he was a big guy, long sandy blond hair, muscles everywhere and gold eyes. Duncan knew the second he caught his scent.

He was a WereLion. Rarest of all Were's and the most deadly. You didn't not want to piss a werelion off, it would be a painfully long death. Werelions have been known to eat their kills.

All of their guests gave small bows in respect to the Alpha Duncan, Duncan in turn gave them the same respect.

Marco spoke, "Good afternoon and welcome to Storm Raven Moon pack Gentlemen, if you will

follow me, I will take us to the office of the Alpha where we will have some refreshments and talk

Duncan left them to go up to his office first, making sure everything was in order. He sat down just as Marco and guests came in.

After everyone was seated the meeting began. Duncan began..."As you all know we do have a problem, with werecats, though they were only detected once on both Stone Mountain and StormRaven borders, I do not think that it is the end of it."

"A few of my elders believe that it was just a scouting mission to test our security. That once they found it unyielding they gave up."

"Personally, I think this kind of thinking is dangerous and naive. I have seen too much of this kind of stuff turning into a full blown attacks, to not be wary of letting it go."

"When Jack told me that he was calling a friend, I had hoped that not only will they help you Jack but perhaps you would also consider helping my pack as well."

I know that the history between our species isn't exactly on a friendly basis. I do know that this pack has never had a problem with Werecat

prides.

The three newcomers looked at each other, the largest of the three nodded.

"My name is Archer Bennet these two behind me are my twin brothers, August and Ashton Bennet. As you by now know, we are Were Lion's. Our numbers are smaller in comparison to other Were species."

"We keep our true numbers secret for our own reasons, which will be discussed at a later time We wish to be taken to your borders, especially where you detected the presence of the the werecat's."

"Even if the trail has gone cold, we can still detect a few things about them. Things that your species might not pick up. This will tell us if they are loners or in a pride, what type of werecat they are."

"This will also help us with what we might be dealing with as well as coming up with a strategy. There are rumors in the cat prides that there are some loners making their own pride."

They are not behaving like normal cats either, they are into all kinds of nefarious activities, they are hunted just like your species hunts the rogue, because of the things that they do, one of

dangerous.

Archer was also impressed by the relationship between The Alpha and his beta, you could tell that they are really close, if it came to a fight where both of the fought together he would hate to be their enemies.

They were at the site and Archer and his brothers started to check the area, it didn't take long before he picked up a scent, it was faint but it was still there. He let out a low rumble of a growl.

"Were Tigers."

Marnie and Adira decided that they were going to go shopping, they took two SUV's. The first was security, the second had more security with Marnie and Adira.

They also had two more security males riding motorcycles. They decided that should something happen on the road the motorcycles had more room and ability to maneuver into key positions.

They were excited to get out for a little bit, though having all this security was causing some anxiety. Though most of the guards they

knew, there were two they did not know. The two were of the group the King had sent.

They insisted that they ride with Marnie and Adira. Marnie wasn't sure about them yet, Adira agreed. They both decided to be wary of them but not let it ruin their trip.

Their first stop was for pizza, Adira had a craving for pizza with extra mushrooms and bacon. After spending an hour with the two new guards, they decided that they were ok guys. Adira still wasn't sure though.

So she stayed close to the other guards instead. There were three stores in the town, one was a small mom and pop shop that sold a little of everything, another clothing and accessories. The third was for children and baby clothes.

There was a grocery store as well as a gas station. It wasn't a really big town but because it was isolated it had a well rounded supply of stores. They even had an antique store/ electronic repair shop.

They also had a small diner and a bakery. Both were really good.

Their first stop was the baby shop, they were excited when they saw all the homemade clothing, blankets and other baby accessories.

Adira picked up several hand made items as well as a beautiful hand carved high chair.

Their second stop was the clothing store, to which they picked up a couple of outfits for Adira as well as some loose comfy stuff to wear after the pup comes.

They decided to go to the antique shop last, it was a small place so only two guards came in with them while the others waited outside. They browsed for a little while, when Adira noticed that the clerk was no longer with them in the shop.

When she looked out the big shop window, she noticed all their guards were laying on the ground. There was a fog surrounding them.

Right at that moment Marnie started to growl, there were three males in the shop now besides their two guards. Without them realizing it they were herded to the back of the shop. Marnie and Adira managed together to Mind link Duncan and Marco with three words....ambush, antiques, HELP!....

Just as Adira turned around to look at Marnie, she felt a sting like a bee at the back of her neck, as she was starting to fall she could see Marnie being caught in the arms of one of the guards.

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Everything went sideways then to black as she knew no more....

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Duncan heard the low growl of the word, Were Tigers...then in an instant he heard Adira and Marnie screaming in his mind link, ambush, antiques, HELPI.

Tack noticed first that Duncan and Marco both had empty looks in their eyes as they held completely still, Archer, August and Ashton noticed that something was wrong, just as they were going to refer to Jack about their findings, both the Alpha and his Beta let out a Horrible deafing howl. In the distance they could hear several hundred howls answer in return.

Jack motioned for the three werelions to step back and group together. The sounds around them were getting closer and closer, Jack whispered to them, stay still don't make any sudden or aggressive movements. Something has happened and they are all about to go into a blood rage.

It's odd though, I have only ever seen this behavior once and that was when the Luna was attacked. Jack tried to mind link Duncan to no avail. When he tried a third time he finally got a

response.

It was as Jack had feared, someone had kidnapped their Luna and now they were out for

blood. A pack of strong warrior wolves out for blood is not something you want to get in the way of. He could only hope that Duncan and Marco would keep cooler heads.

All four of the bystanders looked on in horror as more and more wolves came through the trees, they were everywhere and they were angry. When they looked back at their host, he was now a huge golden wolf.

Marco however didn't shift, he put a hand on the golden Alpha wolf and it seemed to calm him down. Marco had a blank look in his eyes indicating that he was Mind linking and talking to all of the wolves.

The wolves had finally calmed down, all of them lay down with their heads on their paws, it was as if they were waiting for orders. The Golden Alpha on the other hand looked ready to kill.

Marco mind linked Jack, will you change into your bear form and try to talk some sense into him. I would but to do so I will have to shift into my wolf, at this time the only thing Duncan's wolf Apollo will see it as an attack.

Jack shifted into his bear form and walked right up to the Alpha making chuffing noises. Jack continued to walk around him in a circle, making the noises till finally the golden wolf's

eyes changed, Jack could feel Duncan was there

now.

Just as quickly he shifted back into his human form, sinking to the ground with a wail of pain. Yelling out "THEY'RE DEAD!!!!.....EVERY LAST ONE OF THEM...ARE..DEAD.....NO TRIAL... NO... MORE.....AM..... GOING TO KILL....THEM ALL!!!!..... IF THEY SO MUCH AS....LAY ONE FILTHY...FINGER ON HER.....I WILL GIVE THEM. THE MOST PAINFUL OF DEATHS....!!"

At that moment all the wolves that were surrounding them were now circling their Alpha. Marco knelt down next to him, trying to keep Duncan from going Lycan and storming the

town.

"Marco called out, I want all the guards gathered up, every last one that was with the Luna. I don't care what was going on I want them all here now. I want any evidence, camera footage, eye witnesses all of it on the Alpha's desk in one hour. I want our trackers out there picking up scents and directions. NOW!!!"

All the wolves gathered in groups and took off in different directions.

Marco looked over at the twins, August and Ashton." I want to know if you are willing to

help and I need to know it now.”

The twins looked at Archer he nodded his ok, they turned back to Marco.

“What do you need us to do?”

“I need you to go down to the town and do your own investigation, keep an eye out for traitors amongst my pack. If you find anything let me know instantly.”

They nodded and took off in the direction of the town.

“You two come over here and help me get the Alpha back to the pack house.”

{Pointing at Jack and Archer}.

“Till I know he has control, he is going to be dangerous. I have to keep him from going into blood lust frenzy. If that happens no one is safe. He will not recognize friend from foe, nor will he

care.”

Adira woke up with a pounding headache, she tried do sit up but soon realized that she was tied down. Both of her hands were tied above her head, she was in a kneeling postion in a

se s ealed around and she found Marie

cage. She looked around and she found Marnie in a simular cage.

She could hear arguing on the other side of the door, who ever was yelling sounded really pissed! Apparently they were not on the list to be taken, they were too high profile. They were supposed to get werewolves that were lower in ranks, so they wouldn't be missed as easily.

“I DON'T CARE IF YOU WANTED REVENGE, YOU FUCKING MORONS.....”

“YOU IDIOTS,!!! YOU THOUGHT THAT BY KIDNAPPING THE PREGNANT LUNA AND THE ALPHA'S SISTER THAT NO ONE WAS GOING TO NOTICE?!! IDIOT'S!!!!”

The rest she could no longer hear because they were walking away. She looked around, it looked like a basement of some sort, a very old basement. She tried to mind link Duncan, nothing happend. It must still be the drug in her system. She'd wait a little while as it takes it's

course.

She tried to whisper to Marnie but she was still out. Adira then went to her wolf Artemis, nothing. What is going on? Could it still be the drug or is it something more going on? She hoped it was just the drug.

11:29 AM 0.1 Kers Her position was getting uncomfortable, she thought about yelling out but wasn't so sure she wanted anyone to know she was awake.

She felt like she was going to pass out again, her last thought was that she hoped that Duncan got her last message. Please Duncan find me.

Val was livid beyond pissed, those two morons have ruined it all because of their stupid need for revenge. Now I am going to have a whole pack of angry wolves out looking for her and it won't take much for them to find this house.

He decided that he had to take the Luna and the alpha's sister, to the scientists, surely a female werewolf and a pregnant she wolf would fetch him a good price. Enough anyway to put this shit behind him and start over far away from here.

He decided it was best if he and his two loyal guards took the girls out of there, it was best to leave the rest of these morons as cannon fodder.

He called his two guards to him and discussed the plans, they were to get two females of similar build and coloring to take the place of the female wolves. Not that it would fool anyone but none of the others will have more

than a quick look at them.

It was just to delay the idiot's from the discovery of Val's deception. By the time their small minds figured it all out, it would be way too late.

Marco, Jack and Archer were in the Alpha's *office*. Duncan lay on the couch as the doc came in and gave him something to calm him down. He was still showing signs of losing it.

"Marco!"

"Just for an instant I could feel them, Adira and Artemis. It was very faint as if they were far away. I think they are drugged."

Duncan stood up and looked around the room, Apollo had finally calmed down and let Duncan have control once again. They were saved from going into the Killing Rage, but Duncan still wanted blood.

He was going to find Adria if he had to rip and tear apart the whole lot of them to get to her. There were going to be no reports to the King, no trials as soon as he had a trail or idea where they are he was going to get gone.

Jack and the other guy were looking abiti unnerved at what was all going on, he was certain that they had no idea that this sort of thing could take place in a wolf pack. Still his friend Jack kept his cool, which was good. Had they made one unintentional wrong move, it could of led to the pack killing them.

Duncan had enough, no more, they want a war then a war they are going to get. It was time he showed these evil assholes, just what kind of hornet nest they thought they could poke.

He looked at Marco, I will get Adira and Marnie back. I will kill every last asshole that had anything, no matter how small, to do with her kidnapping. If one hair is hurt on her head I will pay every pain back in kind to anyone who touches her.

I WANT THEM ALL.....I WILL HAVE THEM ALL. I AM DONE PLAYING NICE.

In that moment not caring what anyone thought, he used his Alpha voice on his whole pack.

FIND HER

## Chapter 43

###WARNING LANGUAGE###

Lily was trying to go to sleep, when the memory hit her. Alpha Micheal always called him the shadow, What was his real name, I know this.....

Then it hit her like a bolt of lightning, Valdis Cessair. He was the one that always took only certain individuals for experimentation. She kept searching her mind, she saw it in one of the ledgers. It was so frustrating to have it on the edge of her tongue.

She decided to take a long warm shower, sometimes it helped to relax her body and mind. She let the water fall on her, as she took deep cleansing breaths. She was just staring at the water when it hit her.

“Octo Corp.” that is where he sold them. She got out of the shower and went to get dressed in a hurry, she had to get the message to the King so he could tell Alpha Duncan and Luna Adria so they could finish cleaning up this mess.

She wasn't sure why it was so important that she relay this information, she just felt it was important and urgent. She ran faster to the King's chambers hoping that he was there and

that he would receive her at this late hour.

Marnie and Adira were both awake, the drugs finally wearing off. They were in the back of a grey van, they were still tied up. Instead though their hands were in front of them and their feet were tied together. So neither Adria or Marnie could run off.

There were two males in the back with them, there was a driver as well but they couldn't see him. Adira had a very ominous feeling as to where they were going and what they planned to do with them. If she had to guess it had to do with money.



She remembered hearing rumors about some of their pack members being sold for science. She just assumed that it was like organ donor stuff for like when you die. Still not too many of her pack just dropped dead.

She did have other things on her mind though, like working on escaping. She hoped that they were not selling them for science.

She tried to move and so did Marnie. The two guards moved closer to them, you two are going to have stay quiet or we will drug you again. It would be fine for this one, as he touches

Marnie's face. However I don't think you will want too many more doses, in your condition.

Adira did the only thing she could, glared at him. After they went back to their side of the van, Adira tried to contact Artemis again. She could hear a little this time but it was as if she was far far away. Taking a deep breath she tried to mind link Marnie.

Success!" Are you alright Marnie?"

"Yeah, a few bruises and an ass kicking to my pride but I will be fine, can't say the same for these jokers though once Duncan catches up to them."

"Are you ok Adira, is the pup alright?"

"We are doing alright, I don't want anymore drugs though. I don't know what they will do to him."

"We need to figure out where we are, so when the drugs finally leave our system, we can tell Duncan where to find us. I just don't think we are going to see much till this van stops. So when it does and they take us out, look for anything at all that can tell us our location."

"Also a while ago when we were still at the castle Duncan insisted that I carry nener snra

castle, Duncan insisted that I carry pepper spray that works on weres. They didn't search us all that well, because I can feel it still strapped to my leg."

"I think I can feel my knife on the inside of my boot, as well Adira. So we are not completely out of resources. That is unless they try to make us strip off our clothes or do a more extensive search."

"Marnie can you mind link Duncan at all?"

"No, it is like my wolf or anyone in the pack, are very far away. I think it has to do with the drugs they gave us. Also it could be a combination of distance and the drug as well."

"If distance becomes a problem for me it won't for you, because of your link with Duncan is much stronger than mine Adira. Once the meds wear off you should try again."

"Either way Adira I am not going to dance to their tune. I would rather die."

"You will if you have to Marnie, trust me when it comes down to survival you will dance. Just remember that it isn't you that they are attacking. Keep yourself with your wolf. That can't touch you that way."

"We will get through this, they won't touch my pup. If that happens Artemis might go crazy on their asses and I will let her have full control. We can't shift into Artemis's full form but we can switch to the Lycan form without hurting our pup."

"For now Marnie we wait and we watch. Take note of everything and anything. Never let them see that you know or are planning. It is always best when the enemy thinks you're stupid."

With that they both went quiet and waited.

Duncan and Apollo were keeping themselves in check, it wasn't an easy thing. Finally Marco mind linked him that they had all the guards that were assigned to the Luna, all but two.

They each had a cell in the dungeon waiting on the Alpha's pleasure. Duncan decided to let Jack and his friend Archer talk to them first, they can weed out the good and then he will deal with the bad. If he went down there right now, he would kill them all just for failing to keep the Luna safe.

Marco came back up to be with Duncan, he was just as agitated as Duncan, only he was keeping his cool for now.

"Don't worry Duncan we will find them, they will be alright. Soon we will have them within our borders again. Unfortunately we probably won't ever allow them to leave again. But that is a fight for another day. We will find them and bring them home."

There was a knock at the door and in walked Archer, he looked at them for a minute. He was a strange kinda guy, very quiet but Duncan had a feeling that if he was provoked he would be a force to be reckoned with.

"Alpha Duncan, my two brothers are following a van at the moment, they are unsure if it is your Luna and sister but they do know that two females are in the van. They are going to see if they can't get a closer look to see if it is them."

\*They will Link with me when they know more. I told them if it is the Luna and your Sister then they are to stay with them and report their final destination to us and if they can rescue them."

Duncan for the first time since all this started, felt hope take over him. He prayed that those two had found Adira and Marnie.

August and Ashton were in their Lion forms following a grey van, they were going the speed

limit, which wasn't all that hard to keep up with. They stayed within the tree line so they wouldn't know they were there.

Both of them could smell the females, they weren't sure yet if it was the Luna and the sister but they were going to find out. Either way they were taken against their will and they were going to take them back

Where ever they were going it was way off the beaten path, they kept on going down a long gravel road. They were now by guess at least 300 miles away from the town, they only stopped twice. Once for gas and then food. They never left the van unattended.

The driver of the van looked like he was the one giving orders. He must be the leader, that meant they had to take out the guards first, so the slimy bastard doesn't use them for protection or distaction.

They hoped that they would stop for good soon or at least the night, they were getting a little tired. Still though they were determined. On they ran silently through the forest with nothing but the stars as witness.

Valdis wasn't the type of guy to lose control, he

## Chapter 44

####WARNING, VERY HARSH LANGUAGE AND VIOLENCE####

Duncan, Jack and Archer were all running to the location of Archer's brothers. With them was 12 of Duncan's personally trained warriors. They knew they might not make it before sunrise, however they would know where the girls were and where they stopped. ©

If they stop it gives them more time to cover more ground. Duncan didn't care he would go on and on till he caught up with them, Adira would not be harmed. Because he wasn't going to give those bastards any more time with her.

As he was running along side a werebear and a pack of angry werewolves, Archer had to admire their determination and stamina. He wondered if the three weretigers that took the Luna and Alpha's sister, understood what was coming at them.

Val pulled up to the motel, he wasn't happy about needing to stop. He was tired and they had a pregnant female with them. The place didn't look like it would stand up to a strong wind. There was a light on in the office.

When he approached the window there was a very over weight, greasy looking guy with beady eyes. Val was repulsed just by his smell. He rented a room though what condition it was in was yet to be seen.

He went to the van and opened the back doors, his two guards jumped out.

"I want the Luna brought to the room, leave the sister in the van. Get what you need because both of you are sleeping in the van. One stay's awake while the other sleeps, I want someone on guard during the entire time we are here."

"Hey, boss come on. No one followed us here. I think it's safe enough for us all to take a break."

Val stared at the idiot, until he became uncomfortable.

"Have you ever watched a nature show you mornon? Ever watch how long it takes for the wolves to sniff out their prey?" 2

"How about a whole fucking pack of these assholes, they are not normal wolves, you idiot, these are weres. Which means they might already be on our trail. We might be a few hours or a day ahead but I can reasure you moron that they are coming

"You might argue back they we as weretigers could take out a pack of wolves, it they were simply just wolves then yes definatly. These are not simple wolves idiot. They have a form that is unique to werewolves its call Lycan."

They are a seven to eight foot tall wall of muscle, claws, teeth and attitude. When you see them in this form there is no barganing, no reasoning. You are fucked, you can't even out run them, all you can do is shit your pants and cry like a little bitch.

"What do you think will happen when that drug wears off completely, then they can contact their pack again? We don't have any more to give them. So it will be like turning on a locator beacon, like the fucking bat signal, saying here we are!!"  
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"So you know what this means right?"

"IT MEANS YOU STAY UP AND WATCH LIKE I TOLD YOU TO.!"

August and Ashton stopped upwind just inside the tree line, watching the leader chew out one of his guards. They watched as the leader carried the Luna into the room. That meant that the two guards and the Alpha's sister were still

They decided to wait for things to settle down, let them get comfortable. It seemed to them both that the leader was very familiar with where they were going. That meant they were going to have to stop them before they reached their destination

They mind linked their brother Archer to tell him what their plans were. The settled down in their Lion forms and waited.

Marnie was left alone with the two guards, the leader took Adira off to the room. That meant that she was now out of danger from what Marnie was about to do.

She let out a muffled scream as the guards watched her get bigger and bigger. The bonds all broke as well as the gag. Marnie and her wolf were fully awake and joining to become Lycan.

She was seven and a half feet tall, leaner than a male but heavily muscled just the same, there were places where she was almost human and there were places where she was fully black as raven wing, fur.

Her eyes glowed like two burning coals as she

turned on them. The two guards were in shock, the first one was an easy kill for Marnie and Myan. The other one managed to make it up into the drivers seat, a huge clawed hairy hand reached around and pulled him back head first.

His neck snapped like a twig. Now it was time to get that other asshole and get Adira out of here.

August and Ashton looked on in a little bit of horror, when they saw what jumped out of the violently rocking van. It was they thought anyway the Alpha's sister.

"August is that what I think it is?"

"Yup, looks like the Alpha's sister is walking on the big bad wolf side tonight."

"Should we lend a hand, after all she has been through a lot."

"That my dear Ashton is why we are going to stay here and watch for a bit more. That is one pissed off, at the end of her rope female Lycan on a rampage. No way am I going to mess with that. I like my ball's where they hang." 10.)

They watched as the female Lycan sniffed the air, then she turned and looked right at them

with a snarl on her face. Both August and Ashton held their breath. She turned though and ran straight to the room where her Luna was being held

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down. He stood up, looking like a vengeful god of war about to rain hell down on the earth Although they continued on running through the dark forest, the glow of orange never left his eyes.

Jack thought to himself, it is only going to take one more of the smallest snags and they are going to lose the Duncan side of things. Jack wasn't in any shape to take on a fully enraged alpha lycan. Jack hoped that Adira would be alright when they found her, otherwise shit was going to hit the fan and its going to be really ugly.

Just how did that fucker disappear and take the Luna with him, he had to of had this planned. The asshole knew he was being followed or would be followed. He had a contingency plan waiting in the wing. Let's hope that he is now out of plans.

Fucking weretigers are sneaky and clever assholes, you never knew which way their attack would come, they are silent as the grave and quick as wind. Their only weakness is ego and their temper.

Let us hope that this weretiger is not an elite grade. He didn't have that smell when he was in the house. That didn't mean much because they can mask their scent. Sigh. Please let the Luna

the house. That didn't mean much because they can mask their scent. Sigh. Please let the Luna be alright, because Jack wasn't sure he could or would stop the storm that was coming. It could be coming anyway, Jack knew that Duncan was at his limits of being messed with. Taking the Alpha's prenat Luna was a death sentence.

## Chapter 45

###WARNING LANGUAGE###

Adira woke up in the back seat of a car. The last thing she remembered was being carried into the motel room. He gave her a shot and that was the last thing she knew. She was getting tired of this, she tried to reach Artemis and this time she could hear her a lot better.

She was going to have to find a way to stop being drugged all the time. She stayed calm and pretended that she was still asleep. Whoever this guy was he was very good at detecting changes even slight ones. She was done giving him the advantage.

She went inside herself to meet up with Artemis. Together they could come out of this faster and have their link back in working order. They were making a plan, let's see if that jerk will see this coming

So long as he keeps looking at the road and not back at us this is going to work. He is so egotistical that perhaps it will be a good thing.

Lily finally got a chance to see the King, "Your Highness, I have a memory that I think is going

to be of importance."

"What memory is that Lily? Are you sure its accurate?"

"Yes, your Highness I know this one is for real, you have to warn them immediately. His name is Valdis Cessair. He is a weretiger, he was the third partner in the operation. He is the one that would take certain shifters and humans to a lab for experimentation."

"I am not certain but I do remember the name Octo Corp. It is the business front for these scientists. I have never been to their site, I think it is in the mountains but that is all I know. I do know that it is a huge facility and they paid top dollar. He is worse than the Alpha ever was, he had no trouble taking small children. Where ever he took them to, they never returned or were seen again. Sometimes bodies would show up in the lake, Alpha Micheal would order the gamma's to fetch them out and they would burn them, so there wasn't any evidence left.

Valdis Cessair has the ability to know when trouble is coming and he can also hide in the shadows to the point he is invisible."

Lily wasn't sure that the King believed her, till he called for his guards. He ordered three of his personal guards to track down Jack or Duncan

and relay this news. Lily let out a sigh of relief.



Duncan, Jack and Archer arrived at the motel along with a dozen wolves. Duncan was quiet, which worried Jack. The more quiet he gets the more unpredictable it is going to be with him. When he took his sister from Ashton's arms. He used his Alpha voice to gently wake her wolf.

Then they shared a mind link and after it was done, Duncan used his Alpha voice to send her into a deep sleep. He handed her back to Ashton

"You are now her personal guard, if anything happens to her, you will be held responsible."

Ashton felt honored by the Alpha's order, if it came down to it he would protect her with his life. He also had a small crush on the she wolf, he wasn't sure why though.

Ashton put the girl in the front seat of the van and they drove back to her pack territory with two of the twelve warriors traveling with them.

Jack had the best nose out of all of them, he was sniffing for anything that they could use to follow that bastard or at least which way he

went. Duncan joined him because he was most intuned to the scent of his mate. Together they did pick up a faint scent of both tiger and the Luna.

They all joined in with Jack and Duncan in the lead, they followed the trail to an old gravel road where they lost the scent. He had to of had a car or something here waiting for him, he knew he would be followed so he used a back up plan, leaving his men as bait. 1

That is when Archer started to follow the tracks, they were easy to find because of the nature of the road and the fact that it wasn't used much or at all. Duncan was getting a bit impatient while Jack did his best to keep him calm.

"We will get them soon, don't worry. When we catch up and the Luna is safe. I will let you go all crazy wolf on their asses, I will even have popcorn to watch the show. For now you have to keep your head in the game though ok?"

Duncan nodded, calmed himself yet again and continued on with tracking. Sending a silent prayer up to the sky.

"Please keep her safe, till I can reach her."

Val wasn't sure who was following him but he had that old nagging feeling and knew it was time for a back up plan. He had the feeling back at the house when those idiots decided it would be a good idea to kidnap a Luna and the Alpha's sister.

He knew the area, not totally but enough for his plan to work, he drove a stolen car to the spot. He needed to have it waiting for him and shifted to run back to his house.

As soon as both females were in the van, he felt the feeling again stronger and knew he had to make a diversion in order to get out alive. As soon as he entered the motel room he was out the window on the other side. It wasn't easy with the unconscious Luna, but this wasn't his first rodeo either.

He masked his scent and tried to do the same with the Luna. Once he reached the car, they were off to the lab. They better pay him a hefty price for this bitch. From here it was only another hundred miles to his destination. It was a shame he had to sacrifice two of his men for this. That was the risk they knew was there when they signed up.

He looked into the back seat. She was still sleeping yet, so he didn't have to hurry too much, going down this mountain area road

could be dangerous.

Still if he'd taken more than a glance he would of noticed that the Luna was looking a bit more hairy than usual and getting bigger. She was doing it slowly in the dark so he wouldn't notice what she and Artemis were up to.

They had to take it slow in order not to hurt their pup, their pup was of the utmost priority. If their pup was at full term it wouldn't have been possible. He is still small enough though for this to be done safely. She could sense that once they arrived at their destination it would be a lot harder to escape.

At the same time they were able to mind link Duncan and Apollo, they told them of their plan and that they were in a car but there wasn't any way for her to tell them exactly where. She did notice a stone marker and some out crop of rocks but that was it. She said she would give them a signal as soon as they stopped.

Now all Adira and Artemis had to do was go slow with the shift and wait.

They were all running the trail of car tracks when Duncan stopped. All the other wolves had stopped as well, they were just standing there.

Tack told Archer that it was a pack mind link.

They waited till they were all back again, they all seemed much happier now, almost energized.

"Well Duncan are you going to tell the rest of us?"

"Adira, she is alright. She has a plan to get away, her and Artemis couldn't do anything before because of the drugs in their system, now though they have worn off. She said the guy that has her is smart but arrogant, she made him

believe that she was still asleep. She said she has a plan and will try to give us some sort of signal.”

After that they wasted no more time, they all started running down the road as fast as they could go. If anyone came across the scene on the road that night they would think the end of the world might be coming or they were going crazy.

Faster and faster they went up the mountain road, soon they would catch up. Jack soon realized that the wolves were no longer in their wolf form, they had changed into their lycan forms and were spreading out into the forest, while still keeping along to road.

Jack looked at Duncan just as he watched him change from a golden wolf to a golden lycan. It was something worth seeing as long as you are not on the other end of those teeth and claws. He almost felt sorry for whom ever they were about to meet. Almost.