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This came across my feed before I left tonight to attend a board meeting & It was very fitting for what took place after I arrived. I was asked to leave a Regular Monthly Shareholder Mtg that is supposed to be open to the public. Why? Because I know the TRUTH and have freely told anyone who asked. The new board has its own agenda and the truth doesn't fit their narrative. I haven't spoken publicly about what has happened at The Blue Heron Campground to allow things to just play out. I will be silent no more. Got questions? Ask. I have zero to lose or gain by being honest. I joined the payroll out there in May of last year and walked into a 💩 show. Money laying all over the office, the books falsified, the bank account sorely lacking and the Treasurer of the board clearly not doing her job. I was hired to be a housekeeper and answer the phone. That changed quickly. I immediately began assisting the Treasurer in counting all the money and made up 2 deposit slips per HER request. One for the cash and one for the checks. Guess which deposit didn't make it to the bank? It took me about 2 blinks to discover they were being robbed blind and had been for quite sometime. So now I am thrust into the position of bookkeeper trying to figure out and straighten their financials. It was a nightmare but I got it done. Unfortunately the results were tragic. I really felt sorry for this group of mostly senior citizens bcz one of their own, someone they trusted was taking advantage of them! Turns out, she wasn't the only one. I audited 16 months back and presented my findings to the board. I had been working closely with the (then) General Manager, Asst Manager and Secretary thru out this time and the more I dug, the more I found. It was awful!!! The treasurer was called in to meet with the board and I and to be questioned. She admitted to preparing 2 deposits with me, the amounts and the contents of each deposit bag. She admitted she left the building with both deposits but had no explanation as to why the checks were deposited and the cash was not. This is where it gets tricky. 2 days later I had a deposit for the EXACT amount of the all cash deposit that went missing. My deposit was cash and checks. Later verified by the head teller at the bank to our Asst Gen Mgr. I was in the clear that this was not the missing deposit. Williamson County Sheriff was made aware of the theft and they opened an investigation. We gave them all the findings of my audit and anything else they needed. During the investigation it was discovered that since Jan 1, 2022, no less than 8 ppl had access to and had taken money from Shareholders/Users. How can you pin missing money on just 1 when there were 7 others who had had their hand in the till? The (then) GMgr was taking a lot of grief from ppl who thought he was hiding something when all he was doing was following orders from the Detective to say nothing! He had the lot against him and he couldn't even defend himself! I wasn't so compliant. I said from the beginning that it was wrong to keep this info from the Shareholders and it made us look like we were covering something sinister up. I freely answered questions to those who asked.

All this chaos and inner turmoil of the next few months was carried over to & got the attention of, the head honcho at Fish and Wildlife. Along with other deficiencies that had not been corrected, the decision was made to suspend the contract. An investigation ensued and the more they dug, the more they found! Things had obviously been out of balance long before I came along & I had no clue what I was getting into. 😬 In mid December the Gov't terminated the contract, kicking Crab Orchard Recreation Association off the property.

The new board took over Jan 1, 24 and wanted revenge immediately, refusing to accept that Uncle Sam was more than justified in evicting them from Blue Heron property. An attorney was found who would pander to their thirst for blood and a letter was quickly drafted to Fish and Wildlife full of preposterous accusations, including slandering me and demands to return to Blue Heron. Tonight those attorneys were at the meeting and certain board member (s) had convinced them I was toxic

The greedy stir up conflict, but those who trust in the Lord will prosper. Proverbs 28:25

to their presentation to get the permission of the Shareholders to continue pursuit of the revenge they so desperately craved.

Why would a group of reasonably intelligent men be so intimidated by me that I would be asked to leave? I am no longer an employee and I am not a Shareholder. These meetings, per bylaws, are open to the public so what was the problem? I was just sitting at a table in the corner minding my own business 🙄 so what gives? Simply put, I know the truth and I have all the EVIDENCE to PROVE IT. I have securely covered my butt!!! If the group of Shareholders present knew what I knew there is no way they would have voted to continue giving this law firm a blank check to pursue a dead horse at the end of a dead end road. You are not going to win against Uncle Sam bcz no matter what, we were in clear violation, on many counts, of the contract!!! That is why I was asked to leave bcz the risk couldn't be taken at having anyone ask me questions and find out the truth which would ruin the quest.

I feel so bad for all the people who are being taken advantage of, by a few of their own. They have gotten their hopes up from a few slick words from their board & a snake oil salesman, wanting so desperately to reoccupy 'their mistress' they are willing to spend the last bit of money the club has. Reoccupying isn't going to happen and when they are broke and finally figure that out, they will be devastated & their hearts will be broken all over again. I could care less what ppl think of me bcz me and Jesus know the truth. I have nothing to hide and nothing to gain. My heart hurts for the friends I've made & even the ones who aren't so friendly, bcz they do not deserve this. I HATE seeing 70-90yr old ppl being lied to and manipulated bcz a few ppl can't accept that the days of The Good Ole Boy's Club is over at The Blue Heron.

When I am called to testify I will not be lying for anyone. I will be speaking the truth and this will make me a witness for the gov't. This could have ALL been avoided if they would have bothered to just simply ASK me and the outgoing board members. A simple conversation. I would have gladly told them and showed them. But what do I know? I'm just a girl 🙄

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Oh my ...what a mess

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**Leslie Jo****Jeannie Whitaker** You can say that again. It was crazy!!!

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**Julie James Griffin**

Is this an official page? Who is running this page? Who are the current board members? This statement makes it sounds like a threat? I have not been to any meetings because this is a spectacle. The majority of people just want to fish, camp and boating. These people had nothing to do with what was going on in this office. I never had a problem when I paid my yearly due. I don't see how anything that went on was affecting anyone other than the workers and board, but somehow the people that used the facility are the ones that are punished. This whole situation is ridiculous.

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**Leslie Jo**

Julie James Griffin It is the official page for CORA, not the Blue Heron. No threat. April 1 the Blue Heron is supposed to be open to the public, for free. You're right, the majority suffered due to the actions of a few & that isn't fair. Crab Orchard Wildlife page is where you can get current info on Blue Heron. They are over it now.

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**Shelly Martin**

Shameful, at least now people can go camp and fish without feeling like they don't belong. I have a little story that I could share about this place but I won't!! I am pretty sure it has been exposed for what it was!!!

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