

The Unlikely Offers

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A Guide to the Characters

Ron Merlot: Owner and operator of AZOutback Consulting, a computer and network services company. Ron builds and installs computer networks and systems for BDSM Suppliers in the Phoenix and Las Vegas markets. Ron also builds an occasional website on the side.

Laura (Merlot) Myers: Ron's older sister and business partner. Laura lives on the eastern outskirts of Las Vegas. Her job is to insure the computers talk to each other and the main server. When it comes to hardware she is clueless, she wouldn't know a USB Port from a ZIP Disk. Gets quite sexually crazy when drunk.

Lynette Myers aka 'Miss Kitty': Laura's high school sweetheart and works as a performer and sometimes waitress at various Vegas area clubs.

Martina Frosh: Ron's first wife. Martina is a couple French Fries short of Happy Meal but has a killer body, which she devotes all of her free time to maintaining. Of course that is when she is not having a wild night out with her girl friends at the local clubs.

Sara Rae: Ron's current wife. Sara was the former maid/salve for the Merlot's until Martina's Unlikely Affair with Ron's sister.

Maya Rae: Sara's younger *big* sister. Used to live in Frisco, Texas. She moved in with the Merlot's while she works on getting her Masters

Marc Frosh: Ron's best friend and Martina's boss and now husband. Conciser Manager for a local resort near the Merlot's and has very close circle of clients. Marc can get you a good deal on almost everything, as he always "knows someone, who knows someone" or else they owe him a favor.

Gary Zinfandel: Ron's best client and owner of ACME BDSM. Based out of Las Vegas, but with a "satellite office" in Phoenix, ACME BDSM specializes in high quality, custom-made bondage supplies and equipment at low price and fast. He has built and provided equipment and "toys" for both Ron and Laura's playrooms. Gary also has a close circle of clients in the BDSM community and is constantly giving Ron new client referrals.

Bunny Zinfandel-Gris: Gary's wife, a craftswoman of custom-made leather body harnesses. They met at a convention in Henderson a few years back.

Bambi Gris: Bunny's sister and business partner. While she does make some of the harnesses herself, Bambi is more a model than a craftswoman.

Andy McGrawl: Former owner of a chain of computer stores in the Tucson metro area, recently opened stores in Fountain Hills and North Scottsdale.

Lindsay McGrawl-Sauvignon: Andy's bi-sexual wife. Model/sales associated Budget Holstein North.

Jed Rae: Sara & Maya's father.

Tess Rae-Whitewater: Jed's wife.

Anna Adela aka 'Peaches': Whitewater Ranch caretaker.

Linda Holstein: Owner of Budget Holstein Leather Works, better known as Budget Holstein and co-owner of Corona de las Estrella's. She was Ron & Laura's very first client, specializing in leather S&M outfits, shoes and specialty items such as high end corsets and lingerie.

Olivia Esmeralda – Kayré's best friend from high school and co-owner of Corona de las Estrella's.

Kayré Holstein: Linda's daughter and business partner.

Kacie O'Neill: Kayré's partner.

The Unlikely Offer is the next part of The *Unlikely Stories* series by AZOutback and picks up where *the Unlikely Visitor* ended. The drama with Chugwater is behind the Merlot's, but that with the 'little' mishap between Lindsay and Wynn still lingers. Add Maya into this already volatile mix and you've got a powder keg just waiting to blow! Ron really hopes it will all end soon. However, everyone is caught off guard by some *Unlikely Offers*.

Chapter 1: Tonight is the Night!

I looked over at Lindsay who was in tears, I was not sure if it was from the pain of kneeling or from Sara's response. Nor was I sure if I should intervene or let Sara decide for herself. However, Lindsay did end up respecting Sara's wishes, "Okay, tomorrow then...I'm sorry." Andy helped her up and they went back into the house. I didn't say anything to Sara, after all it was her choice even if I felt she was unfairly punishing Lindsay.

After a couple minutes, I asked, "You ready?"

Sara replied, "Huh..oh...yes. You've got everything?"

I double checked, "Think so; phone, laptop, yep. Do you have your black widow corset, long black skirt and dress sandals?"

Sara replied, "Yes, they are in the purple bag on the back seat. Everything else is in the back."

I told her, "Okay then, let's head down and get Kayré and Kacie."

We headed down to the Foothills Condos and came over to the Holstein's building. Sara went up the stairs and brought down their bags. Kacie got into the car, "Thanks Ron for taking us."

I told her, "No problem, saves you guys on gas."

Kayré and Sara finished loading the bags and got into the car. Kayré informed me, "We will have to stop over at Mom's place and get the keys for The Ranch. I have an address, but no idea where it is and you know how my mother is with directions!"

I assured her, "I have Google Maps on my laptop, I'll punch in the address when we stop for lunch in Florence." We made fairly decent timing being it was a holiday helped. I got out my laptop and pulled up Google Maps and inputted the address Kayré gave me. Turns out Linda was very close to her office as well as Corona de la Estrella's, but a bit of ways from The Ranch. I gave Linda a call to confirm she was home and informed her we would be down in an about an hour. We found Linda's condo, which had a striking resemblance to that of Kacie and Kayré's.

Linda greeted us and gave us a quick tour, "Sorry to cut this short, but I have a lot to do. Here Ron, the keys and garage door opener. Kayré can you stick around and help me out?"

Kayré informed Linda, "Yea I can. Sure Ron, Sara and Kacie can handle everything."

Linda reminded me, "I will need to have Sara there around 5:00 PM and you as well for the walk-thru. The dinner starts at 7:00. I really appreciate this y'all, it is a special day for us."

Sara, Kacie and I headed up to The Ranch. This time around we did notice the absence of a 'For Sale' sign up front. Upon entering I noticed rental furniture, not that there was anything wrong with that just not furniture most people would

normally have. I asked Kacie, "Any preference on the rooms?"

She replied, "I think Kayré would want to be in her old room. You and Sara can take her mother's room if you like. Who else do we have?"

I told her, "Just Andy and Lindsay along with Wynn tomorrow. My sister, her partner along with Sophie are staying down at Lowe's. I think we'll do that, you and Kayré might keep us up."

Kacie laughed, "Or you two could keep us up!"

Sara ended up heading into the room we had on Thanksgiving (next to Kayré's) and set her bags on the floor with the exception of the purple bag which had her outfit for tonight which she threw upon the bed. She asked, "Do I have enough time for a shower?"

I checked my phone, "We've got an hour and half so yes."

Sara told me, "Okay then, I'll take a shower."

I headed into the living room and noticed the large flat screen TV. I was able to watch a pre-season Diamondback's game from Tucson Electric Park. Unfortunately, it was against the Chicago Cubs so I was a bit torn as to who to route for in this particular game. Sara came in to the living room and asked, "Well, how do I look?"

I was stunned there stood Sara in her black-widow corset, a long black skirt with slits on each side clear up to her thighs but low enough to conceal the tops of her black fishnet stockings. She was wearing the 5-inch strappy black dress sandals that Linda had given her last year. I was amazed, "You look really, really hot."

Kacie walked in and asked, "Who's hot?" She saw Sara, "Oh my god! Wow! Ron's right you are hot! I love that corset."

Sara told her, "It's a Black Widow from the Budget Holstein."

Kacie was drooling, "Oh man, I would love to see Kayré in one those!"

I told her, "I think she will be tonight along with Olivia." Kacie was practically hyper-ventilating with excitement, "You okay over there?!"

Kacie blushed, "Sorry. I'm fine!"

We headed over to Corona de la Estrella's and met up with Linda who was in a traditional Mexican style long dress. Kayré was dressed like Sara, I walked up to her and warned her, "Kacie is going to be breathless when she sees you dressed

like that. She already had an orgasm when she saw Sara!"

Kayré giggled, "She does tend to get easily excited. Thanks for the warning."

I sat down with Linda who explained, "Tonight is a special invitation only dinner. Mainly our best customers and some 'big-wigs' from the local community. Everything seems to be working well, Olivia was testing out the tablets this morning and says everything was going smoothly. I have you on standby in case anything goes wrong." I ran a few more tests just to be safe and everything seemed to be working as it should.

A little after 7:00 Linda came into the center of their new grand dining room and announced, "Attention please! Can I have Kayré, Olivia and Ron up here please." I was wondering why she was wanting me, but I was not about to object. Linda continued, "First off thanks to everyone who came here tonight." Linda was getting choked up, "Sorry, this is really an emotional event for me. I am sure most of you know me, for those who do not, I am Linda Holstein. I am the owner of the Budget Holstein Boutique, co-owner of Corona de la Estrella's and the widow of the late Hal Holstein. Those of you who are here tonight have been part of the Corona de la Estrella's 'family' during the past 10-years. On the morning of March 21, 1998, back in days of the Oro Valley Cantina, I lost my husband and Olivia here lost her mother in a freak accident. I almost gave up and abandoned this restaurant and my business. But my daughter, Kayré, who I'll add was a teenager at the time thought she knew it all. Anyway, she thought that her and her best friend Olivia could run this place right out of high school. I didn't have much faith in her, she was teenager for crying out loud!" Linda paused to wipe the tears from her eyes..."But, the more I thought about it, the more I knew this would be what Hal Holstein, my husband and Maria Esmeralda, Olivia's mother would have wanted. So Olivia and I pooled our insurance money and bought this place out-right. We renamed it to Corona de la Estrella's to honor Hal and Maria. Looking back I am sure glad I listened to her. Corona de la Estrella's has become one of the most popular restaurants in the Tucson area as our success over the past 10-years has proven."

There was a large round of applause and Linda continue with a laugh, "You know, when we closed down the restaurant last October, given the economy right now, everyone was scared that this was the end of Corona de la Estrella's. I kept assuring everyone we are only closed for remodeling and we would re-open shortly. Well, we are reopening and we are going to better than ever. We have this new grand dining room, state-of-the-art kitchen and thanks to all the technology improvements made by great friend here Ron Merlot with AZ Outback Consulting we're in the 21st century now! Olivia would like to say a few words."

Olivia walked over and Linda handed her the microphone as the crowd applauded, "Thank you Linda. I am Olivia Esmeralda, the daughter of the late Maria Esmeralda. It has been a tough tens years for me as well. There are times I walk

into the dining room and I swear I am seeing my mother in there waiting tables. I too didn't have much faith in Kayré's ideas either, but she proved her mother and myself wrong. Look at us now! Tonight we celebrate a new beginning of Corona de la Estrella's, but let us not forget Maria and Hal. ¡Esto es para ti madre! (This is for you mom!)”

Olivia handed the microphone back to Linda and disappeared in to the kitchen. Linda made on final announcement, “We have a tribute and memorial to Hal and Maria in the lobby, please take a look on your way out. There are also some historic photos and articles about The Oro Valley Cantina/Corona de la Estrella's. A very special thanks to Ron Merlot's sister-in-law Maya Rae for putting this all together. Unfortunately, she was not able to join us tonight. She spent quite a bit of time researching and putting together the memorial and tributes!” More applause. Sara and I looked at each other wondering if the other knew about Maya's contribution to Corona de la Estrella's. Linda raised her glass and declared, “Tonight is for you Hal, I miss you!”

Linda had only planned on the dinner lasting until 9:00 PM, but it was nearly 11:00 PM when the last of the local 'big-wigs' left. She was exhausted but happy, “Tonight really went well. Thank you Ron, Sara, Kayré and Olivia!”

Kayré joked, “See I told you so!”

Linda grabbed and hugged her daughter, “Yep, you sure did! Thank you!”

Olivia also hugged Kayré, “Sorry, I didn't believe in you. Tonight was incredible thank you all!”

Chapter 2: The Final Phase of Budget Holstein Oro Valley & Easter Surprise!

On the way back to The Ranch, Kayré asked, “I am guessing you all were just as surprised as I was about the tribute that Maya did?”

Sara replied, “I knew nothing about and neither did Ron.”

I confirmed, “Yeah, that was a surprise to me had no idea she had done all that work.”

We arrived back at The Ranch. Sara was so glad to get out the Black Widow, as she had not expected to be wearing it for such a long period of time. As she crawled into bed with me she commented, “Gee, just like Thanksgiving. Wonder if there are going to be any surprises this time around?”

I had to be careful how I replied, “As if we haven't had enough with Lindsay?”

Sara sighed, "Do you think I was a bit harsh with her today?"

I really didn't want to get involved, but I knew Sara would not let it go, "May be. But, I think she need to know how you felt no matter how painful. Are you going to forgive her? I would hate to see you two stay angry at each other, when really it was Andy's fault."

Sara agreed, "Yes, Andy is to blame for some of this. I just don't understand why she reacted the way she did. We always flirted with each others spouse's just the way we are and nothing every becomes of it. She always been so open and free spirited."

I added, "I just think she is under a lot of pressure right now. I don't think she was expecting Andy to move on the Fort McDowell store so soon. She feels bad she is not able to help out at the Budget Holstein North. I know things are going to get better on that end, Kayré is already taking care of that." Again I needed to be really careful here. "Now, can you please forgive Lindsay. It hurts me to see her in so much pain, but I think some of that is from her fall."

Sara started crying, "I know. When I saw her charge Wynn yesterday and both of them go though the door I was scared. For Wynn and Lindsay. We are all family, even if we are unrelated and I thought I was in a bad dream. I felt so bad for Wynn when I saw her when you brought her home from the ER. But then to see Lindsay this morning, my heart sank and yet I was so bitterly angry at her. Not just for the way she has treated me the past week, but for what happened to Wynn. Part of me wants to forgive and forget, but how can you forget something like that?"

Boy I hated being Doctor Phil, "Time, Sara, time. I'm sorry, may be I have should have intervned earlier. May be I shouldn't have had Wynn 'stand guard'. May be I shouldn't have called 9-1-1. I don't know Sara. But this is killing me. You two have been there for each other just like sisters when you needed each other."

Sara told me, "Don't blame yourself. You did the right thing, especially calling 9-1-1, with Wynn on the floor unconscious. Yea, may be having her 'stand guard' wasn't the best idea, but the intentions were right." Sara let out a deep sigh, "You're right. God everything we both been through this past year. Dirk, my father, Andy and Lindsay getting banned from Pima county and Maya leaving."

I added, "Don't forget the Glenn Campbell night!"

Sara laughed, "How could I. That was one of the scariest nights, but oddly enough one of the best nights we spent together. God what I have done?! I can't stay mad at her. On the trip down here this afternoon all I could think about was seeing her on her knees begging for forgiveness. Shit! I need to make this right."

I cuddled Sara and told her, "Andy and Wynn will be down here tomorrow afternoon with Lindsay. You can make it right then. Meanwhile, let's get some sleep, we got a lot of work to do tomorrow at the Budget Holstein."

Sara had a really rough night and looked like hell in the morning. She really didn't feel like eating breakfast, or more like coming to breakfast. I headed out to the kitchen and found Kayré and Kacie were already up. Kacie was making waffles while Kayré was making some bacon. I announced, "Morning you two!"

Kacie looked over, "Oh morning Ron. You two sleep okay?"

I slept fine, "Yea I did. Sara not so much. I'm going to bring her a little bit of food, she really doesn't feel like coming out."

Kayré asked, "She alright?"

I explained, "She dealing with some 'family' issues right now. Things should be better soon."

Kacie asked, "You going to leave her here? I can stay if you like, so she won't be alone."

I wasn't sure how this was going to play out. May be it would be a better idea to let Sara stay and rest. Lindsay seeing her in the condition she is in right now could make things worse. But, then Sara not being there was not going to make things any easier. I told her, "That's good, I'll let her know. Can I get a waffle and couple strips of bacon for her?" Kayré handed me a plate of food. I returned to the room and gave Sara the food. She was so tired she could barley stay awake to eat. I told her, "Go ahead and rest. Kacie is going to be here if you need anything."

Sara objected as she munched on the bacon strip, "But that is just going to further upset Lindsay."

I told her, "Not as much as her seeing you in this condition. Besides you can barely stay awake right now." Sara gave in, or more like feel asleep. I headed back out to the kitchen in time to see Kayré leaving, "Where you off to?"

Kayré told me, "Back to Corona de la Estrella's with my mother and Olivia. Tonight is the official grand opening to the public, so need to get ready. Think Sara will be up to helping out again tonight?"

I assured her, "I think so, she just needs to get some sleep." Turning my attention to Kacie, "She's asleep and as soon as I am done with breakfast I am going to be heading over to Linda's store. We all should be back late this afternoon with the McGrawl's and Wynn. I did let Sara know you would be here. Call me if you need

anything."

Kacie replied, "Okay see you then."

I finished up breakfast and headed over to Linda's store. She had even remembered to give me a key. I walked in and saw her contractors had everything done including the electrical outlets for the Plasma TV's and shuttle boxes. I was unloading the Cruiser when the McGrawl's and Wynn pulled up in my Jeep. Andy was driving and Wynn was in the back. Lindsay got out and limped over towards me still in a lot of pain and asked, "Sara here?"

I told her, "No she is not. She had a rough night and did not get much sleep. She still over at The Holstein Ranch House and was asleep when I left. How you holding up?"

Lindsay trying hard to hide her pain, "I'm doing better, though still very sore." I looked at her and noticed her arms were covered in cuts and bruises. She also had a large gash on her forehead. She was wearing jeans, but I imagined her legs were pretty beat up too. She asked me, "Will I be able to see her later?" I was about to answer then she added, "...that is if she want to see me." I could tell Lindsay was deeply sorry for what she did and this was really hurting her.

I told her, "Yes, when we get done this afternoon we will go over to The Holstein Ranch. She is going to be helping Kayré and Olivia tonight over at Corona de la Estrella's so you won't have much time once we do get back. Now, we got a lot of work to do and the more we get done today, less we have to do tomorrow before Laura gets here."

Lindsay try as she may, really couldn't do much of the physical work as was just too painful. She was able to at least get the Shuttle box in the POS area setup. Wynn on crutches didn't help matters either, but she was able to do more physical work such as getting the cables plugged in to the router and switches. Andy and I were able to hang the plasma TVs and get the new server in place. It was mid afternoon when Linda came by. She saw Lindsay sitting at the POS area working on the Shuttle unit there, "Hey Lindsay! Where's Ron and Andy?" Before she had a chance to answer she saw the cuts on Lindsay, "My god! What happened to you?"

Lindsay really didn't want to talk about it and she was still in a lot of pain, "Oh hey there Linda. Had a bit of mishap in Ron's office the other night. Last I saw Andy was over with Ron by the dressing rooms." She went back to work on the computer, hoping Linda would take the hint and leave.

Linda was still in shock over Lindsay's condition, "Um...okay thanks." She headed over to the dressing rooms where Andy and I were finishing hanging the plasma. Wynn was on a chair with her left leg in the cast propped up on another chair

working on the shuttle box for the dressing room area. Linda thought Lindsay looked bad, she let out scream when she saw Wynn, "Wynn dear what happened to you?!"

Wynn wasn't sure what to say, "Had a bit of an accident involving Lindsay in Ron's office the other night."

Linda asked, "Oh my. I saw Lindsay when I came in, but you..."

Wynn assured her, "I'm fine. A few cuts and bruises that's all. Oh and this broken leg. I'll be good as new in a few weeks."

Linda turned to me, "How did this happen?"

Andy and I explained the situation, "Lindsay was drunk and got upset with Sara. She tried to leave my office. Wynn in good intentions was blocking the door so she wouldn't leave. We were trying to get Sara and Lindsay to work out their issues. However, Lindsay charged at Wynn and they both ended up going through the French door into the library. Wynn was knocked out and broke her left leg. Wynn's armor prevented her from getting more seriously hurt, but I think in turn it caused more injuries to Lindsay."

Linda asked, "Have they worked it out yet?"

I wasn't sure if Lindsay could hear us or not but I warned in a low voice, "Um, let's not talk about this here. Lindsay is already in fragile state as it is and don't really need her to hear this. Sara didn't sleep well last night and that is why she is not here right now."

Linda nodded she understood, "Okay, so what's left?"

I gave her a run down, "Well, we are getting the Plasmas hooked up. Andy and I have already got your switch connected. Not much else left for us to do today. Laura (I hope) will be here tomorrow afternoon to get the software installed and then you should be good to go."

We wrapped up earlier than expected. I wanted to call Sara and see how she was doing, but given everything that had happened the day we left, she had forgotten to bring her phone with her. I asked Linda, "Do you happen to have Kacie's cell phone number?"

Linda replied, "Yea, why?"

I told her, "Kacie is staying with Sara at The Ranch. I wanted to call and let them know we are on our way."

Linda dialed Kacie's cell and handed me her phone, "Here."

Kacie answered, "Linda?"

I replied, "Actually Ron borrowing Linda's phone. How's Sara?"

Kacie replied, "She seems to be doing better. She made her way into the living room and told me what happened the other night. I think that helped her a bit."

I informed her, "Okay good. Well we are on our way back should be there in next 45 minutes." I handed Linda her phone back and we all headed back to The Holstein Ranch.

Lindsay made her way slowly inside. Sara saw her then walked up to her and gave her a hug. Normally Lindsay would have loved the affection, however this inflicted a great amount of pain on Lindsay, "Sara. Please don't. I am still in a lot of pain." Sara didn't say anything, she reached for Lindsay's arm instead, again not the best choice as this only inflicted more pain on Lindsay, "Ow! Sara! Please!"

Sara asked, "Can I at least take your hand?"

Lindsay reached out with her left hand, "Yes, but please be gentle."

Sara clasped her hand around Lindsay's and slowly led Lindsay over to the sofa. Sara was crying, "Lindsay I don't know what to say...I'm so sorry. I should've not have left you yesterday like I did...I kept thinking about you on your knees yesterday in pain...begging for forgiveness. Lindsay, we've been through too much together to let something like this come between us."

Lindsay too was crying, but likely from the pain, "Sara, I feel the same way. Please forgive me!"

Sara took a deep breath, "I do forgive you. But, I want to know..."

Lindsay was somewhat relieved, but she knew what was coming, "What is that?"

Sara interrogated her, "Why did you react the way you did when you saw me with Andy? I mean we are always flirting. You and Ron, me and Andy, what happened this time?"

Lindsay so wished she could answer that question, "I...I...I really don't know. I kept thinking about that while I was in jail, wondering what happened. I don't even remember what happened in the library, think I had too much to drink. I didn't even realize I was a top of Wynn. I was in pain and I saw I was bleeding so I made my way to the bathroom. Almost as if I was in auto-pilot. Reality came to

me when I heard the police officer banging on the bathroom door. Oh god Sara why did it come to this?" Lindsay was sobbing now.

Kacie came over with a box of tissues, "Here Lindsay."

She looked up not expecting to see Kacie there, "I didn't know you were going to be here today."

Kacie giggled, "Well, I pretty much go where ever Kayré goes. Much like you and Sara!"

Lindsay laughed, "So true. Ow, gawd it even hurts to laugh." She turned to me, "Sorry about your office doors and tracking blood all over your house."

I told her, "That's okay Andy and Gary already replaced the doors. Sara and I were able to get the blood cleaned up."

Sara added, "I freaked when I saw the bathroom, you bled a lot in there."

Lindsay explained, "My right leg got slashed up by the broken glass."

I looked at my phone and told Sara, "You need to get ready."

Sara let Lindsay know, "I am working with Olivia and Kayré over at Corona de la Estrella's this weekend as a hostess. I need to get changed and going."

Lindsay very carefully leaned over and hugged Sara. She still cringed from the pain. While Sara was changing I asked, "You on anything for the pain?"

Lindsay explained, "No, I'd rather not. I just surprised I'd be in this much pain from gong through a door."

I reminded her, "I think it is more so from you hitting Wynn in her armor."

Lindsay agreed, "True. She said it prevented her from having more serious injuries." She turned herself around and laid down on the couch so she could see the TV, "Ow. If y'all don't mind I am going to rest here for a bit."

Kacie came over to Lindsay, "Hey there. If you need anything just let me know okay?"

Lindsay smiled, "Thank you Kacie." Sara walked out in her Black Widow and skirt from the other night. Lindsay's jaw dropped, "Oh my Sara you look gorgeous. I would so love to do you right now, but you have to go. Plus in my state right now it would be rather painful. I am so sorry..." She started crying again, "Kacie, I could use those tissues again please."

Sara walked over and wiped the tears from Lindsay's face, "It's alright dear. Get some rest, you need to heal." Sara and I left for Corona de la Estrella's.

On the way over I asked Sara, "Are you feeling any better?"

Sara thought, "Well, not really. I mean I do for forgiving her, but seeing her condition just makes me feel bad. It seems she worse off than Wynn."

I reminded Sara, "Wynn has a broken leg and possible concussion. Lindsay has lots of cuts, bruises and some sore muscles."

We arrived at Corona de la Estrella's and noticed the place was already busy. Things went very well and everyone seemed to be impressed with the way they were taking the orders using the new tablets. Business was so good Saturday night they still had people waiting for tables at the normal 10:00 PM closing. Linda and Olivia made sure that those who were still waiting at closing would not be turned away. They even enlisted me to bring out food and take care of drinks. The last patron left a little after midnight. Linda came over to Sara and I, "Again thanks so much for your help. Now you understand why I needed to know how many for dinner on Sunday."

I replied, "Yep. Glad to see the new and improved Corona de la Estrella's is doing well. By the way, Sophie called me earlier and said they should be by around 1:00 in the afternoon on Sunday. At least I was able to warn her about Wynn and Lindsay. Hopefully, my mother or Blanche will call before they arrive for dinner tomorrow night so I can warn them."

Sara complained, "As much as I would love to stay and chat, I so badly want to get out this Black Widow and into a hot bath."

Linda laughed, "Okay, okay. You deserve that. See you in the afternoon."

We arrived back at The Ranch to find Kacie and Lindsay playing Go Fish! I told them, "You didn't need to wait up for us!"

Kacie laughed, "See Lindsay, I told you so." She left to talk to Andy out in the garage.

Lindsay smiled and motioned for Sara to come over. Sara didn't want to make Lindsay upset so as gently as she could she informed Lindsay, "I am just going to tell you good night. I really, really want to get out this corset and slip into a hot bath then go to bed. So good night." She did plant a kiss on Lindsay and then went about her way.

Andy happened to come out in time to catch Sara kissing Lindsay and

commented, "Oh good, they've kissed and made up. Lindsay are you coming to bed or you staying out here?"

Lindsay attempted to get up, "Oh, ow. I think I'll stay here for now. Sorry."

Andy understood, "That's okay, I understand." Andy motioned for me to join him in the kitchen. Once in the kitchen he informed me, "Kacie told me Lindsay didn't move much today from that spot on the sofa. She said Lindsay got up and made her way to the bathroom a couple times but it looked like she was in a lot of pain and could barely walk. I'm worried, she doesn't seem to be getting better."

I too wondered, "Yea, I know. Wynn took the brunt of the fall through the door and Lindsay landed on top of her. Did she say what hurts?"

Andy replied, "Seems to be her right arm. She's been limping a lot too."

Given how late it was I told him, "Tell you what, we'll see how she is in the morning. If she is still this bad, I'll talk to Linda."

Andy seemed a little more calm, "Okay, thanks. I wasn't sure if I was over-reacting. Lindsay does not want to take pain killers. She lost a dear friend of hers when she was younger who OD on pain killers. Good night Ron."

I headed into the master bedroom. Sara had already stripped out the black widow, skirt and stockings. She took a short bath and emerged a few minutes later in pearl stocking and a long night shirt and got into bed next to me. She asked, "Is it me or does it seem like Lindsay is worse than she appears?"

I told her, "You know Andy and I were just discussing this. I'll give Linda call when we get up and see what we can do. Good night."

A few hours later we woke up to Kacie knocking on the door, "Breakfast!" Sara and I quickly changed and joined everyone at the table for breakfast. Much to my surprise Lindsay was at the table but did not look well.

I told her, "Lindsay, we're worried about you. You don't seem to be getting better."

Lindsay replied, "I'm sorry guys."

I advised her, "Don't be." After we finished breakfast I gave Linda a call, "Hey Linda, Ron. Andy and I think Lindsay should go to urgent care. She seems to be worse now than Thursday night."

Linda informed me, "No. I'll have my family doctor come on over."

I reminded Linda, "Um, it's Sunday, Easter Sunday for that matter."

Linda assured me, "She will come. She's been my doctor since before Kayré was born. I'll give her call right now and head on over."

I returned to the kitchen to find Lindsay still in the kitchen and pretty much in tears, "I'm so sorry! It hurts too much for me to try to walk."

I comforted her, "It's okay. I talked to Linda and she is going to have her family doctor come on over." About 15 minutes later Linda arrived with a lady about the same age as her. She introduced Doctor Amanda Lee Buffer. I told her, "Lindsay is in the kitchen. She says it is too painful for her to stand and walk."

Doctor Buffer asked, "Can you run through what happened and what type of treatment she has had?"

I explained, "She was intoxicated at the time. She charged Wynn over there and they both ended up going through a glass French door. Wynn though took the brunt of the impact and Lindsay had landed on top of her. As for treatment, I am not really sure. EMS came and patched her up then the police took her into custody."

Doctor Buffer was concerned, "So she was never taken to the ER?"

I confirmed, "No, she was not."

Doctor Buffer talked to Lindsay for a bit, "What hurts?" Lindsay told her that initially it was her right arm but now she couldn't really stand or walk. "Okay, let's get you into the living room so you can lie flat."

Linda suggested, "Andy and Ron why don't you two help her to the sofa."

Lindsay put her arms around Andy and my shoulders as we grabbed her legs. We carried her over to the living room sofa where though in a lot of pain managed to lay down. Once we got Lindsay on to the sofa Doctor Buffer asked, "Do you normally wear jeans that tight?"

I looked at her legs and noticed the jeans were skin-tight down there. Andy commented, "No, she doesn't. In fact she normally doesn't wear jeans. Usually a skirt and stockings."

Doctor Buffer got on her phone, "Yes can you send my ambulance over to..." After she got off the phone she turned to us, "I want to admit her to my hospital. She has sever swelling in her legs, which is why she is in so much pain when she tries to stand or walk. She may also have a sprained ankle. I don't think anything is broken as she would be in a lot more pain. What type of pain killers is she taking?" We advised her none, "Wow, young lady you have quite a tolerance for

pain. Reminds me of Miss Holstein over there. Ambulance should be here in about 10-minutes. Once we get her to my hospital I can do a more thorough exam."

Lindsay apologized to us, "Sorry for messing up Easter Dinner with the family!"

Doctor Buffer told her, "Nonsense! By the time I am done with you, will be able to make it for dinner. Andy, can you get her a change of clothes and ride along with her?" Andy disappeared into their room and returned a few minutes later with a simple change of clothes. Doctor Buffer's phone rang, "Okay, thanks. Ambulance is here. They are going to bring in a gurney for her." A couple very attractive female EMT's from the private ambulance company came in and loaded Lindsay up.

Linda came over to me, "I am going to go over to the hospital to support Andy and so he can have a ride home. Call me if Laura has any questions."

In all the excitement I had forgotten about Laura, "Hmm, kinda forgot about that. She was bringing Miss Kitty with her to browse the store."

Linda assured me, "Don't worry Kayré is already over at the store and can help her out."

Sara asked, "Is it okay if I go with Linda?"

I told her, "If it is okay with Andy." Andy thought it would be a good idea, "Okay, Wynn will be able to help me out if needed."

After everybody left Wynn came over, "Me thinks it was not a good idea having her arrested."

I told Wynn, "I know, not sure why they didn't take her to the ER first. Oh well, don't worry about it. She seems to be in good hands with Doctor Buffer and her private ambulance." I noticed Kacie was still around and I asked her, "Did you want to stay here or go over to The Budget Holstein with us?"

Kacie replied, "I suppose I can help out Kayré so I'll come with you."

We were on our way to the Budget Holstein when Laura called, "Hey Ron. I'm running early."

I must have misheard her, Laura 'early'? "Sorry, we must have a bad connection here, sounded like you said you are running early."

Laura laughed, "No, you heard correctly. I have Miss Kitty and Sophie with me."

I advised her, "Okay, we are leaving The Holstein Ranch right now, should be

there in about 35-minutes. Kayré is already over there. I should warn you though, it is only me and Wynn. Linda, Sara and Andy went to the hospital with Lindsay. She's wasn't doing too well. I'll fill you in when we get there."

Laura replied, "Sorry about Lindsay, she going to be alright?"

I told her, "She should. Linda's family doctor says Lindsay should be able to attend dinner tonight, so we shall see."

I sensed genuine concern from Laura, "Glad to hear that. Hopefully we'll see her tonight."

As I had estimated I arrived with Wynn and Kacie at the Budget Holstein. I didn't see any other cars in the lot other than Linda's which Kayré had driven over. However, a gold Cadillac turned into the lot a couple minutes later and parked up by the entrance. Sophie was in a very provocative driver's uniform consisting of a driver's hat, a black leather bustier, very short skirt and black fishnets. She exited the driver's side and opened the rear doors for Miss Kitty and Laura. I laughed at the scene, "Laura, what is with you and gold Cadillacs?"

Miss Kitty was curious, "What is that suppose to mean?"

I explained, "The 'Affair' with Martina, the wedding, Christmas and now today."

Miss Kitty commented, "Hmm, I didn't realized she had an obsession with Gold Cadillacs."

I advised Miss Kitty, "Anyway, I guess Laura informed you of what is going on with Lindsay?"

Miss Kitty replied, "Yes, but she didn't seem to know much."

At that moment Laura stepped out of the car and I didn't recognize her. Instead of her usual red hair she had dyed it all black and then added blonde highlights. I commented, "Wow Laura, like what you did with your..." she came from around the car and I noticed she as wearing a dress and walking kind of strangely, "...hair. Holy fuck, you're wearing a dress! I don't think I've seen you in a dress since my college graduation."

Miss Kitty laughed, "Shocking isn't it!"

Laura laughed, "Okay, so I can dress nicely once in a while." Indeed she was in an Ivory dress, nude stockings and pumps. She asked, "So, what happened with Lindsay?"

I explained, "Well, Lindsay has been in a lot of pain since the mishap on

Thursday. She was limping on Friday and yesterday she seemed a lot worse. This morning she couldn't even stand, much less walk. Linda's doctor observed that Lindsay's jeans seemed unusually tight."

Laura commented, "I don't think I've ever seen Lindsay in jeans."

I replied, "True, much like you in a dress. I think she was wearing jeans to cover her slashed legs. The doctor didn't think anything was broken as she would have been in more pain. She called for a private ambulance to take Lindsay to the hospital. Anyway, Kayré and Kacie will be able to assist Miss Kitty and Sophie. Wynn should be able to help me out with any issues we might run into."

Miss Kitty saw Wynn, "Oh my, Laura did not tell me she was on crutches. I'll admit she seems to be getting around well."

We headed inside and I was still noticing her odd walk, of course I thought it may be because she was wearing heels. Kayré and Kacie assisted Miss Kitty and Sophie while Laura and I worked on getting the install done. Laura asked, "Did you get the Shuttle boxes setup already?"

I informed her, "Yes, they are already setup and connected. The slide shows are loaded as well, just need to be able to access the Internet."

Laura seemed please, "Okay. So where is her server room now?" I directed her to the server room, "Nice. This is going to be a while."

My cell phone started ringing, a quick glance at the caller ID showed Linda. Actually turned out to be Sara, "Hey Ron, Lindsay is doing a lot better. They had to cut the jeans off of her and they gave her something to help bring down the swelling. X-Rays showed her right arm is fractured, but not broken and her left ankle is slightly sprained. Otherwise, she is in good shape. Have Laura and Miss Kitty arrived yet?"

I informed Sara, "Yes, they arrived at the same time we did and in a Gold Cadillac."

Sara laughed, "She likes to travel in style!"

I told her, "You should see Sophie's uniform...."

Laura called out, "RON!"

I informed Sara, "Gotta go Laura is bellowing!" I found Laura in the server room, "You bellowed?"

Laura giggled, "Yes. Hey, I'm done."

I was confused, "You're done? Wait...what happened to 'this is going to be a while'?"

Laura explained, "I don't know why I was under the impression we were re-provisioning her server. All I needed to do is get the network to recognize the new machines and since they were already imaged and connected there was nothing else to do."

I laughed, "That was easy."

Laura warned me, "Hold off on the victory dance, let's make sure the slide shows work on them there shuttle boxes."

We walked into the reception area to find Wynn already had the shuttle booted and playing the slide show. She saw us enter, "Oh hey. Is this suppose to be working already?"

Laura replied, "Actually, yes. Now we just to make sure the one in the dressing rooms area works." Wynn started to get up but Laura told her, "Dear, go ahead and sit. We should be able to handle this on our own."

As I was walked back to the dressing rooms with Laura, I updated her on Lindsay, "Sara called. They had to cut the jeans off of Lindsay and they gave her something to bring down the swelling. Her right arm is fractured, but not broken and left ankle is slightly sprained."

Laura told me, "Good glad to hear this. Now, Sophie didn't exactly have all the details, what happened?"

I told Laura, "Andy played a prank on Lindsay involving Sara. Lindsay did not take it so well and was angry towards Sara. I had called them both in to my office along with Wynn to 'stand guard' while I tried to get them to work out their issues. Apparently, Lindsay had a lot to drink and was not in a good mind frame. She finally told Sara why she was mad and then made a beeline for the door. However, she ended up charging Wynn who was not expecting that from Lindsay. They both went through the door, Wynn taking the brunt of the impact. The doctor's say her armor likely saved her from more serious injury. However, it did the opposite for Lindsay. Wynn was out cold for a couple minutes and Lindsay had managed to drag herself into the hall bath. Have you said anything to mom?"

Laura booted up the Shuttle box in the dressing area and then fired up the slide show. She replied, "I think Sophie talked to her earlier and let her know. I'll check with her when we leave and if she hasn't I'll make sure she is warned. Okay, this one if working as well!."

I asked, "So, can I do the victory dance now?"

Laura laughed, "Sure!"

We headed back to main part of the store and found Kayré and Kacie. I informed them, "We are done, how's Miss Kitty and Sophie doing?"

Kayré replied, "They are trying on various items right now. Hey, I need to get over to Corona de la Estrella's. Kacie will ring you up and lock-up when you are done." As she left she announced, "See y'all tonight."

A couple hours later Miss Kitty and Sophie had picked out several outfits. Kacie took care of everything including getting the items boxed. My cell phone was ringing again with Linda's number, "Hey Ron, Linda. Lindsay has been discharged and we are heading back to The Ranch. How goes the install?"

I told Linda, "We're done. We didn't need to do a complete re-install so it was just a matter of making sure the new computers and Shuttles were working. Wynn and I are getting ready to head back. Kayré took off a few minutes ago to Corona de la Estrella's."

Linda replied, "Okay got a couple hours before the big dinner tonight."

I met up with Miss Kitty, Laura and Sophie in the parking lot as Kacie was locking up. They informed me, "We're going to take a drive around the area. Dinner is suppose to be at 4:00 PM?"

I confirmed, "Yes. So we'll see you then." I headed back to The Ranch with Kacie and Wynn. Upon returning I saw Lindsay up and about, "Wow, you look much better." I noticed she was wearing black opaque tights, most likely compression tights to help with the swelling. Also had a 'walking cast' on her left ankle.

She came over to me, "Yes. Thanks for looking out for me."

I reminded her, "You may not think so, but you are family and us Merlot's stick together. Which is more than I can say for The Rae's."

Sara heard my comment, "What the bloody hell is that suppose to mean?"

Oops, I had to think fast, "You'll understand later. You about ready, Olivia and Kayré are going to need you soon?"

Thankfully Sara was more occupied with getting ready to go to Corona de la Estrella's that she didn't really pay attention to what I said, "I'm almost ready."

I talked to Linda briefly and she informed me, "Lindsay should keep her arm in a

sling as much as possible. She is also suppose to limit how much weight she puts on her ankle. The doctor suggested she get the tights to help ease the swelling. She is certainly doing a lot better now."

Sara and Linda left for Corona de la Estrella's, leaving Kacie, Andy, Lindsay, Wynn and I. About an hour later we headed over to Corona de la Estrella's. My cell phone started ringing, "Hey Ron, Peaches here. We delayed. Bad weather El Paso. Leaving Benson."

I told her, "Okay, that is fine." Since I had Lindsay with me I could not talk 'warn' them about Lindsay and Wynn as that could give away the 'surprise'. We arrived at Corona de la Estrella's and saw Sophie, Laura and Miss Kitty had already arrived along with my mother and Blanche.

We headed inside and were greeted by Kayré, "Welcome to the all new Corona de la Estrella's! Come this way please."

Sara saw Laura but didn't recognize her, "Who's that with Miss Kitty and Sophie?"

I laughed, "That's Laura."

Sara laughed, "Wow. Okay, I don't recall the last time I saw her in a dress."

I told Sara, "I don't think you have ever seen her in a dress. Last time *I* can recall was my college graduation."

Laura got up and made her way to the ladies room. Sara asked, "So when did Miss Kitty put her in a belt?"

I was surprised, "Hmm...okay that would explain why she is in a dress and the odd walk."

Sara informed me, "I am thinking she has thigh bands."

I informed Sara, "Interesting theory." I happened to see Linda, "Oh hey, I need to talk to Linda real quick about the install, I'll be back in a bit." I was able to grab Linda, "Hey, Maya and Peaches called about 30-minutes ago, they were outside of Benson. So they are going to be late. Unfortunately, they don't know about Lindsay and Wynn."

Linda understood, "Okay, thanks for the warning." Laura walked by us on her way back to the dining room, "Um...who is that...wait....is that Laura...in a dress?"

I confirmed, "Yes it is. Sara thinks she is belted with thigh-bands."

Linda laughed, "Ah, Missy Kitty is finally trying to get her to behave!"

I returned to our table and Sara was commenting about the extra place settings. I told her, "Kayré, Linda and Olivia will be joining us shortly." Sara still noticed there were too many settings. I told her, "They likely didn't have the exact number of people in our party, given it kept changing." I was sure hoping Maya and Peaches would hurry up as I was not sure how much longer I could keep stalling Sara. Thankfully Linda did another one of her '10-year anniversary' speeches so that bought me some time. My cell phone rang again, "AZ Outback, Ron." Peaches informed me they had arrived and would be entering shortly.

I signaled to Linda to 'wrap it up' and she took the hint and came back to our table, "Sara, can you come with me please. I need your help." Sara got up and followed Linda into the kitchen right as Maya and Peaches walked through the front door. Kayré saw them and brought them over to our table.

Maya announced, "Howdy Y'all! Sorry we're late." She first noticed Laura in a dress and her new hairdo, "Wow Laura, love the hair and you are in a dress too!" Then she noticed the crutches next to Wynn and saw Lindsay with her arm in the sling and the gash on her forehead, "Oh my god, what happened to you two?! Get into a cat fight?!"

I told her, "Long story. We will explain what happened later. Come take a seat you two, Sara and Olivia are about to start serving the food."

Sara walked out of the kitchen carrying a couple platters and almost ended up dropping everything when she saw Maya, "Maya! What are you doing here?"

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Maya being her usual smart ass self replied, "Having dinner."

Sara laughed, "Kinda figured as such, but a bit far from Chugwater." She then noticed Peaches, "You brought Peaches with you too?" Peaches smiled and waved.

Linda told Sara, "Olivia, Kayré and I can get the rest of the food, sounds as if you two have some things to talk about." She turned to Peaches and Maya and asked, "Anything you want to drink?"

Maya replied, "Double Dirty Martini."

Peaches looked up and replied, "Peach Margarita?"

Linda laughed, "Sure. An unusual drink but we can do it." She wondered if that was where her nickname came from and headed back to the kitchen.

Maya explained, "Okay, so y'all are likely wondering why Peaches and I are here?"

Things did not work out with the Bed and Breakfast.”

Lindsay asked, “How so, sounded like a good idea?”

Maya laughed, “Yep, looked good on paper. I suppose none of us expected Boots to take off like it did. Boots took up all my parent's time. The Bed and Breakfast never opened. An investor made them a really good offer so they sold The Ranch. The new owners did not want us around.”

Sara asked, “So, couldn't you have helped out with Boots?”

Maya explained, “No. Our father did not want us involved with 'the' business. They got a condo out in Wheaton. Peaches and I were told we had to be out by today.”

Sara was confused, “I don't understand, but some how I am not surprised.”

Maya concurred, “I know. I had a 'talk' with our father the other day and accused him of making nice with us so he could get Ron and his crew to do their Boots job.”

Surprisingly Lindsay scolded Maya, “That's not a very nice thing to say about y'all's father.”

Sara intervened, “That may be so Lindsay, but believe me when I say I wouldn't put it past him. So what did he have to say?”

Maya was almost seemed to be relieved, “Glad you understand. Yes, he admitted that he 'used' us to get to Ron and his crew. So I called Ron and asked him if I could come back and bring Peaches with me.”

Sara was angry, “Dang it, I knew he was up to something when he came out here. He tried to cover it by bringing Tess with him. Oh well, live and learn.”

Maya shared in her sister's resentment, “Yeah, I know I should have listened to you...*again*.”

Sara wondered, “Don't feel bad, I fell for it too. So going back to Vinnie's, school or what?”

That reminded me, “Oh Maya, I talked to Diane and she wants you to call her once we get back. She told me this coming week they are going to be closed as they will be moving the store in to the space occupied by a former restaurant within the Desert Oasis Market.”

Wynn knew what I was talking about, “Oh yeah, it was some Fish & Chips place.

Never really did much except stink up the market.”

Maya replied, “Hmm, business must be good then. Anyway, as Ron has probably hinted to I am going back to Vinnie's. Then come this August I am going back to school as well. Now, I want to know what happened to Wynn and Lindsay.” Nobody said anything, Maya looked at us confused, “Is this some big secret? Was it really a catfight?”

Linda came back with Maya's Double Dirty Martini and a Peach Margarita for Peaches.

Andy finally broke the silence, “Since I am the one who started the mess I suppose I should be the one to explain. No Maya, not a catfight, although if Ron hadn't intervened....anyway, so Lindsay was spending a lot of time with Sara after you left. I didn't mind this, but I wanted to get her attention. So I came up with this plan to make it look like Sara was sleeping with me. Now, for whatever reason it back fired.”

Lindsay explained, “Ow...Yes it sure did. I got very mad at Sara and I really don't know why. As Sara has said in the past we always flirted with each other. May be it is the stress with getting the Fort McDowell store going and not being able to help Kayré and Kacie at the Budget Holstein North. I 'punished' Sara by taking control of the key to her armor and avoiding her as much as possible.”

I added, “So, this went on for about a week. Last Thursday evening after you called, I tried to get them to work this out. I had Wynn bring them to my office and she 'stood guard' at the door in case either of them tried to make a run for it. I wanted them to work out whatever was going on between them before we went to bed that night. After a couple minutes of them sitting as far part as possible, Lindsay finally confronted Sara.”

Lindsay now in tears, “I...I had a bit much to drink that night. Anyway, I told Sara I had seen her sleeping with Andy. She told me it was not what it looked like. Like a fool, I didn't believe her and I got up and ran to the door. I really don't remember much after that. I remember being on the floor and saw my legs were cut up. I made my way to the bathroom and may have passed out for a moment. Next thing I knew a police officer was knocking on the door.”

Maya was surprised, “You called the police?” She took a sip of her Martini and then gulped the whole thing down. She asked Linda, “May get I another please?” Linda went to fetch another double dirty Martini for Maya.

I told her, “No, I had called for EMS, but given the situation of domestic altercation they also notified the police. You got to realized that Lindsay hit Wynn with such force, both of them went through the doors separating my office from the Library. Wynn was knocked out, which was why I called for EMS.”

Wynn added, "I wasn't thinking straight at the time and when the police asked if I want to press charges I told them yes. I am so sorry Lindsay. If I hadn't you wouldn't have gotten so worse."

Lindsay replied, "It's okay Wynn. I deserved to spend a night in jail."

Maya was shocked and yet at the same time laughing, "Wait, you had sweet little Lindsay here arrested?"

I asked, "Weren't you there after the 'Glenn Campbell' incident? Oh wait, you were at work and she was already asleep with Sara when you got home. Never mind." Maya had a puzzled look on her face as she had missed the whole 'Glen Campbell' night.

Before Wynn could defend herself Lindsay did so for her, "I was very drunk and as both Andy and Wynn put it, 'I needed to learn my lesson'. Believe me I have, never want to do that again."

Linda returned with Maya's drink. Maya took a sip and laughed, "Yea, I know what you mean. Spent a couple nights in jail back in Frisco thanks to Dirk." Once again she gulped the rest of the drink down.

Wynn did add, "I have since dropped the charges. Still, I think she would have gotten the treatment she needed had I not had her arrested in the first place."

Maya asked, "How so?"

Lindsay still in a lot of pain, "I was doing okay Friday. I didn't sleep well that night, but I thought because I was worried about Sara. We came down on Saturday and when I went to get out of the Jeep I nearly passed out from the pain. I made my way into The Holstein Ranch and parked myself on the sofa. I ended up sleeping there Saturday night. Ron and Andy were concerned."

I added, "As was Kacie, who told me Lindsay barley moved off the sofa and when she did she was in incredible amount of pain. So this morning I called Linda, to find out where the nearest urgent care was. Linda told me she would have her family doctor meet her at the Ranch. Once the doctor arrived the first she noticed was how tight Lindsay's jeans were."

Lindsay explained, "My legs were so swollen that when they got me in the ambulance, they had to cut the jeans off of me. Which actually felt really good..."

Andy laughed, "Or was it that hot EMT chick massaging your legs?"

Lindsay giggled, "Okay may be that too and I'll have you know they both were

quite hot. Anyway they did a bunch of X-rays and scans. My right arm is fractured, but not broken and I sprained my left ankle. The gash on my forehead looks worse than it really is but did not need stitches. They did give me something to help get the swelling down. They wanted to get me painkillers, but I declined."

I asked, "I take it those are compression tights you are wearing?"

Lindsay corrected me, "Yes they are compression stockings that too is suppose to help bring down the swelling. At least being opaque they hide my bruised and cut legs."

Maya scolded both of them, "I am so disappointed in you two! When I first saw you two together, I knew you had something special. A bond that was so strong, nothing could ever come between you two. I mean, as both of you admitted, you play and flirt all the time. We all do, so what was so different this time Lindsay?"

Lindsay looked at Maya ashamed of her behaviour, "I wish I knew. Really, I do. It should have never come to this and I realized that as I was spending the night in jail. I'm sorry."

I was a little taken aback at Maya's behaviour towards Lindsay. I was about to say something when Maya asked, "Remember that day I left?"

Lindsay even more ashamed of herself now, "Yes. Yes, you told me to keep an eye of Sara. To be there and support her after you left."

Maya continued, "and why?..."

Lindsay was in tears now, "Because we had such a strong bond..."

Andy looked at me as if to say what was happening, I decided to put a stop to this, "Maya, that is enough. Sara can you help Lindsay to the restroom." Very carefully, Sara helped Lindsay up and guide her to the restroom, I turned to Maya, "Can I see you for a minute?"

Maya knew she had gone too far and possibly jeopardized me allowing her to stay with us, "Yes, Ron." As we made our way to the lobby she admitted, "Okay, maybe I was a little harsh with Lindsay."

I was trying not to be angry with her, "A little? What the heck were you thinking? The last 72-hours has been hell for both her and Sara...even me and Andy. Sara felt so bad and so responsible for what happened to Lindsay *and* Wynn. I don't know if I want you staying with us if this is the way your are going to be treating Lindsay and your sister. Of course that would be unfair to Peaches. Now, let's sit down and enjoy what is left of this dinner with family."

I was walking back to the table and noticed Peaches was heading towards the lobby. I didn't really pay attention, just thought she was heading to the restroom. At least upon returning the discussion had turned to the PC's & Things Fort McDowell store. Sara and Lindsay returned a few minutes later and they joined in on the conversation. Linda brought out two cakes, a birthday cake for my mother and an 'anniversary cake' for Laura and Miss Kitty. She announced, "Okay we have a couple celebrations tonight. First off it is Lorena's 39th birthday."

Lorena laughed, "Oh I love you!"

Linda laughed, "I think Blanche would get a bit jealous. Anyway we are also celebrating Laura and Miss Kitty's anniversary of getting back together. Now, it is time for us to sing, then we shall eat cake"

Laura got up again and headed to the ladies room. Once she was gone I asked Miss Kitty, "Um, has Laura been 'naughty' lately"?

Sophie commented to Miss Kitty, "Pay up sister! I told you they'd notice."

Miss Kitty attempted to save herself, "But he didn't come out right and say it though."

Sophie wasn't buying it, "I knew what he meant and you do too. Show me the money!"

Miss Kitty asked, "What gave it away?"

Sara commented, "Well besides the fact she is in a dress, I recognized the walk. I'd seen it when Martina was in thigh-bands as well."

Sophie smiled, "Oh...that's double!"

Miss Kitty remarked, "Dang, I should have known the thigh-bands were going to give it away!" Laura returned, "Sophie just cost me \$100!"

Laura laughed, "Did you really think nobody was going to notice? I mean the bloody fucking dress was a dead give-away."

I corrected her, "Actually, your waddle because of the thigh bands was. But, yes I had my suspensions as to why you were in a dress."

We sang Happy Birthday to my mom. Linda cut the cakes and started serving everyone. During this time, no one had noticed that both Maya and Peaches were missing. An hour or so later after we had wrapped up with dinner Sara asked, "Hey what happened to Maya?"

I looked around and noticed that both her and Peaches were gone, "Hmm, Peaches is not here either. I know Maya wasn't feeling too well." I called her cell phone and Peaches answered, "Hey, what happened to you two?"

Peaches explained, "Maya needed to think. We in lounge."

I told them, "Okay, stay put, I'll be over there shortly." I informed Sara, "They are in the lounge. Y'all go ahead and head on back, I'll ride with them." I headed over to the lounge and found Maya clearly drunk.

Peaches came between her and me, "Careful, she drank lots."

I asked her, "So noted. How about you?"

She looked at me oddly, "No. Just peach margarita when we came here couple hours ago."

I told her, "Good, go ahead and bring the Hummer around I need to talk to her."

Maya was very drunk, "I can understand....why youz won't let us comez back. I screwed up. Story of my life....Dirk, my father and now Sara."

She was staggering about, so I grabbed her arm and guide her to a booth, "Listen, I know things are a bit rough right now. It has been for all us, so don't think it is just you. May be I over-reacted this evening with you giving Lindsay the third-degree. I know you're upset about your parents and I understand. But, please don't take it out on Sara and especially not Lindsay." I joked, "If any one deserves that treatment, it would be Andy as he started the whole thing. I thinking you are tired as well from the drive, not to mention you had a bit much to drink. I'll have Peaches take us back to the Ranch."

By this time Maya was pretty much passed out. Linda came by, "Everything alright Ron?"

I pointed to Maya, "She has had way too much to drink tonight. Help me get her outside, Peaches is bringing the Hummer around."

Linda and I were able to get Maya outside just as Peaches had brought the Hummer up to the door. She got out of the Hummer opened the passenger side rear door and told us, "I'll take her." Linda and I watched in amazement as Peaches picked up Maya and carried her to the Hummer, setting her in the seat. She told me, "Ron, you should drive. You know where go." Peaches jumped into the passenger seat. I bided Linda good night and got into the drivers seat of The Hummer. The last time I drove the Hummer was when Martina had drank too much at Flemming's.

I looked back at Maya who was out. I told Peaches, "Sorry about tonight. Things have been very hectic these last few days."

Peaches advised me, "I sorry too. She's been doing this a lot. She not easy to carry!"

I laughed, "I was surprised to see you handle her so effortlessly."

Peach laughed, "Yes. But I not like her this way! The mess with her father led to this."

I told her, "Neither do I. Hopefully, once we get back to Scottsdale things will improve."

Peaches asked, "We can stay? What can I do to help?"

I asked, "Yes, you're family. Help in what way?"

Peaches explained, "Around the house, get a job?"

I told her, "Well since Wynn is a bit limited in her mobility for the next few weeks she could use your help. As for getting a job that is something you will want to discuss with Maya. As I told Maya when she first came, she was welcome to stay as long as she needed."

We arrived back at the Holstein Ranch. Peaches looked back and saw Maya asleep, "Boy she drank lot. Open doors, I'll carry her in." We got into the Ranch house and Peaches still holding Maya asked, "Where should I put her?"

Kacie walked in and with a bit of surprised look. She told Peaches, "Um...oh okay...put her in the master suite down the hall to the left. There's a king size bed in there. Besides, Ron and Sara aren't using it." She turned to me and asked about Maya, "Is she alright?"

I told her, "Maya had a bit much to drink tonight."

Peaches told us, "Thanks. I'll put her in bed then bring in bags."

Kacie objected, "No Peaches, I'll take care of your bags. You attend to Maya."

Peaches thanked her, but confused her with her partner, "Thank you Kayré!"

Kacie giggle and corrected her, "No, no. I'm Kacie the Irish one. Kayré is my partner, the Hispanic one."

Peaches turned red, "So sorry Kacie!"

Kacie laughed, "That's okay, you barely know us. Anyway let me grab your bags for you."

Peaches headed off into the master bedroom and I follow and as she deposited Maya on the bed she asked, "Should I leave her dressed?"

Maya was wearing a short red dress with tan fishnet stocking and platform sandals, "Very least you should remove her shoes."

Kacie came in with their bags, "Here you are. If you need anything else let me know." Peaches thanked Kacie. Kacie and I headed into the living room to join Kayré, Sara, Andy and even Lindsay. Kacie asked, "So when are we going back?"

I kind of wondered the same thing, "I don't know. How long do we have The Ranch for?"

Kacie told me, "Longs as we need it. Linda will put it back available for timeshare whenever we are done."

I asked, "Anyone want to go back tomorrow? I think we need sometime to unwind so spending a couple more days down here may be just the thing." No one objected.

Chapter 4: We Needed This and Things We Wish We Hadn't Done.

Before going to bed Sara and I decided since we weren't going to be down this way for a while we should visit my mother and Blanche tomorrow. We really didn't get to spend much time with them tonight given all the other events going on. During the night Sara and I were awoken by Kacie's screams of pleasure. I looked over to Sara and noticed she was rubbing her clit under her shorts and panties. I got up and walked around the bed without saying anything, I yanked off her shorts and panties. I nudged Sara over towards the center of the bed and had her lay perpendicular so I would be able to lick her pussy. We were getting quite into it when we heard another scream of pleasure. Sara laughed, "Sounds like Kayré and Kacie are having a good time over there."

I was only joking when I suggested, "May be we should join them."

Sara got up, put on a robe and grabbed my arm. At least I still had on shorts and a muscle tank. Sara lead me over to Kayré's room and knocked on the door. We heard Kayré mumble something in Spanish as she cracked the door open slightly. She was not wearing anything, "Oops, did we wake you."

Sara pushed the door open, "Yes, but that is okay. We've come to join you." With

that Sara made her way into the room, dropped her robe and pushed Kayré on to the bed. She glanced over at Kacie who was just standing there stunned, "Don't just stand there. I am sure Ron's cock could use some attention." Truth be told my cock was starting to get hard at the site of Sara doing it with Kayré.

Kacie complained, "I normally don't do guys anymore but since my partner is occupied." Pointing to a chair she demanded, "Strip and sit!"

Kayré laughed, "Wow! Where did that come from?"

Kacie smiled, "You're not the only one who can be dominate!" With that she started sucking my cock very aggressively, I was getting near orgasm when Kacie stopped, "Be right back." She headed in to the bathroom, returning a short time later with a bottle of lube along with a pair of latex gloves and explained, "Martina told me this would drive you wild."

I mumbled, "Oh shit! I knew I should've never let you two get near each other."

Kacie let out an evil laugh which caught the attention of Kayré, "Gee, I've never seen this side of her before. It is quite erotic!"

Kacie put on the latex gloves but headed back in to the bathroom. She returned with a towel, "Get up." She placed the towel on the chair and then directed me to sit. She slowly started sucking my cock and then pulled out a lube syringe placing it in the bottle and pulling the stopper up. Once she had the syringe filled she dabbed a couple globs of lube on her fingers and slowly started massaging my asshole. Once she got my sphincter to relax enough she inserted and unloaded the syringe. She withdrew the syringe and inserted her gloved finger and began massaging my prostate. She then returned to aggressively sucking my cock while massaging my prostate. Within a couple minutes, I had very intense orgasm and shot a large load in Kacie's mouth. She quickly swallowed my cum while continuing to massage my prostate, "Hmm, forgotten how good cum tastes. Let's see if we can get some more out of you!" She continued massaging my prostate and resumed sucking my cock.

Sara had a look of disbelief on her face and Kayré commented, "I swear Sara I've never seen her that way. Kinda turns me on!"

Sara giggled then demanded as she re-positioned herself, "Shut up and eat me!"

Kayré got up and grabbed a pillow to kneel on. She was working Sara's pussy pretty well, licking and biting Sara's clit while inserting a couple fingers into her pussy. She then noticed something under the bed, "Hey, I wondered where that went." Before Sara could ask, she suddenly felt a very intense vibrator on her clit. Sara was caught off-guard and nearly kicked Kayré in the head when the first orgasm hit. Kayré gave Sara a chance to recover and came over to Kacie and I

with her vibrator. Before Kacie knew what was happening, Kayré was underneath Kacie licking her clit and then shoved the vibrator into Kacie's pussy. This caused Kacie to tense up, but then she also started massaging my prostate faster and sucking on my cock harder. I could tell Kacie was about ready to cum as did Kayré who suddenly took the vibrator out of Kacie's pussy and placed on my scrotum. Holy shit! Between Kacie massaging my prostate and sucking my cock and the vibrations I had another powerful orgasm. Kayré pulled Kacie off my cock and guided her to the bed. Sara came over to clean off my cock. We picked up our clothes and left Kayré and Kacie to themselves. We were both exhausted and fell asleep within minutes.

Later that morning Peaches was knocking our door, "Breakfast 10 minutes."

Sara dressed in a very tight turquoise sleeveless top with a black skirt and fishnet stockings. I asked, "Trying to torture Lindsay?"

Sara laughed, "No. But it seems I need to be careful around Kacie though."

We made our way to the kitchen to see Kacie and Peaches serving up blueberry pancakes. I noticed the pile in the center of table and asked, "So where's ours?"

Peaches was confused, "I not understand Ron."

Kacie explained, "Andy tends to eat a lot and Ron is saying that pile in the center of the table would be enough to feed Andy."

As luck would have it, Andy and Lindsay walked in. Upon seeing the stack of pancakes in the center Andy commented, "For me?!"

Peaches understood now and laughed, "No. You share with rest family."

I noticed Lindsay was dressed somewhat similar to Sara except in a white skirt and stockings. She seemed to be getting around fairly well. I asked, "How you doing this morning lady Lindsay?"

Lindsay looked up and smiled, "Much better thanks Ron." She then noticed Sara, "Nice outfit dear!"

Sara walked over to Lindsay and asked, "Is it safe to hug you?"

Lindsay replied, "Yes, just watch out for my arm." Sara very carefully hugged Lindsay and also gave her a long passionate kiss. Lindsay was puzzled, "What was that for?"

Sara replied, "Just to let you know I still like you and I'm sorry."

Now that everyone was seated I stood for a moment, "Good morning everyone. Hope y'all slept well last night. I know these last few days have been tough for all of us. I know some of us did and said things we wished we hadn't. While we can not undo what has already been done, let's move forward. No more anger, no more hostility. We're all a big family here and up until last week have gotten along great with each other. I know it is still tough for some of you with the recent events. Today will be a day to relax and have fun. There is nothing we have to do. We're done with The Budget Holstein Oro Valley and Corona de la Estrella's projects.

Lindsay asked, "But what about our stores?"

Andy explained, "We have Zina and our other managers watching the two stores. We can't do anything yet with Fort McDowell anyway."

Kayré added, "The Budget Holstein North we've closed down for this week anyway. Kacie and I knew about my mother wanting to reopen Corona de la Estrella's this past weekend for about a month now. We planned on having the store closed anyway, so we are fine."

Wynn asked, "Is it okay if I take Peaches and Maya with me to go see my lady friend?"

I told them, "By all means, yes. Go have fun while you are down here. We may not be out this way again for quite some time. Sara and I are going to go visit my mother and Blanche down in Tubac."

Kayré announced, "I am going to go spend some time with Olivia, give us a chance to catch up. We barely had a chance to talk to each other this weekend with the festivities at Corona de la Estrella's."

Andy advised, "I am going to meet up with some my computer industry buddies. Haven't seen them since we got banished from Pima County. Wanna join me Lindsay?"

Lindsay was busy eating, "Huh? Oh no, I'd just be bored and in the way." She quickly realized though she was going to be by herself, "Am I going to be the only one here then?"

Kacie raised her hand, "I have nowhere to go nor anyone to see. I'll stay here with you sister. We can have some fun together."

Lindsay had been spending quite a bit of time with Kacie lately and had a growing attractiveness to her. Lindsay though was uncertain what Kacie's idea of fun would be. But she figured, it would have to be better than spending the day alone or with Andy's boring crowd, "Okay, thanks."

Kacie grinned, "Don't worry, you *will* enjoy this."

Everyone left leaving Kacie and Lindsay alone. Lindsay was finishing up the breakfast dishes when Kacie told her, "I'll be back shortly."

Lindsay didn't really think anything of it and told her, "Okay." She had just assumed that she was going to the restroom.

Having finished the last of the dishes, Lindsay was about to head into the living room when she heard Kacie call out for her, "Lindsay can you come here please?" Lindsay made her way to Kacie and froze in her tracks when she saw Kacie dressed in sheer black long sleeve body stocking with hot-pants, waist-cincher and boots. Kacie directed her, "Strip and get on the bed!" Lindsay was a bit resistant at first. Kacie assured her, "Don't worry I'll be gentle with you. I know you are still recovering."

Lindsay decided what the heck and did as she was told. She did ask Kacie, "May I leave my stocking on please?"

Kacie told her, "Yes that is fine, but everything else including your panties needs to come off." Lindsay remove everything except for her stockings and then carefully climbed upon the bed. Kacie directed her, "Lay down on the bed, face down please." Lindsay laid down on the bed first on her back and then carefully rolled over on to her stomach. Kacie told her, "Good girl. Now just relax." For whatever reason Lindsay was extremely nervous and Kacie could tell when she started rubbing Lindsay's shoulders, "Come on Lindsay relax. Oh may be this will help." She walked over to the dresser and turned on a CD boombox.

Harp music filled the room. Lindsay objected, "Kacie? Sorry. I don't like this...The music that is...Harp that is."

Kacie laughed, "I cain't really say I like it either. I was playing it last night for Kayré. Let me see what else she has. How about this...*Garden of Eden*? I can work with that if it is okay with you?"

Lindsay laughed, "Sure, got be better than the harp."

Kacie put the CD on and as the first track started, "Oh, yea I can work with this. Now Lindsay relax and enjoy." Kacie closed the blinds, locked the door, lit a few candles and turned off the lights. She got upon the bed straddling Lindsay and took out a bottle of massage oil. She started with Lindsay's shoulder's giving her a very deep tissue massage. She worked her way down the Lindsay's lower back, buttocks and then moved down to her thighs.

Lindsay was becoming like jelly, "Oh wow Kacie. That feels so good." Kacie

switched things up a little by lightly dragging her long nails across Lindsay's back and arms, "Ohh...." Kacie switched between massaging and dragging her nails for next couple hours. Lindsay by this time as very relaxed. Kacie carefully spread Lindsay's legs and ever so gently licked her pussy and clit. Just when Lindsay thought it couldn't get any better Kacie started rimming her. Lindsay was heaven. She enjoyed having her asshole stimulated but never really admitted it to anyone including Sara.

Meanwhile, Sara and I made it over to my mother's place. Lorena asked, "So, is Lindsay doing better?"

I told her, "She seemed to be when we left. She stayed with Kacie over at The Holstein Ranch."

Lorena replied, "That is good to hear. Hey come on out to the yard and take a look at what we got growing out here."

I walked outside and saw along the back wall she had several grape vines growing. I recalled what Laura had mentioned to me when we discussed the gifts, "Wow, that is just how Laura described the yard back in Vegas."

Lorena told me, "Yeah, you never really saw it in its full splendor. You were already in Arizona when I started growing grapes. Thanks again for the gifts, Blanche and I really appreciate the items."

I reminder her, "Well, it was Blanche who pointed me in the right direction."

Back at The Ranch Kacie was still rimming Lindsay but then also inserted a couple fingers into her pussy. She stop and told Lindsay to roll over. Lindsay carefully rolled over as to not to stress her left arm. Kacie crawled up on to the bed next to Lindsay and started to suck on Lindsay's tits. Lindsay reached under Kacie's hot-pants to rub her pussy but got a surprise instead, "What the...I didn't know you wore a belt?"

Kacie laughed, "Yes, Kayré likes to keep me for herself which means having me belted nearly 24/7." She continued to suck on Lindsay's tits.

Lindsay suggested, "Well, get yourself out that belt so I can eat your pussy."

Kacie sighed, "Sorry Lindsay, can't do that. Kayré won't allow me to have access to my key and/or pussy when she is not around. She says I masturbate too much."

Lindsay laughed, "There's such a thing?!"

Kacie agreed, "That's what I told her. But, she said it was becoming too much of a

distraction from my work."

Lindsay sighed, "Oh well, I'll make do with what I can get to."

Truth be told Lindsay was so relaxed she ended up falling asleep. Kacie kept the body stocking on, putting on a sleeveless crop-top to cover her tits along with shorts and headed into the kitchen. Around this time Wynn, Peaches and Maya had returned. Peaches asked Kacie, "Need help with dinner?"

Kacie was thankful for the help but unsure, "Yea sure. Don't know what to make though."

Wynn suggested, "Take a look and see what's in the fridge. Between the three of us we should be able to figure out something."

Kacie laughed, "Okay, I suppose that could help." She opened the fridge, "Hmm, not much in here."

Peaches looked in, "Lots vegetables. Tomatoes, bell peppers, onions, mushrooms, Italian squash...got pasta?"

Kacie wondered, "Good question. Let's see what we have in the pantry." She opened the pantry and noticed a 5 pound bag of Angel Hair pasta. She took the bag out and handed it to Peaches, "Yes."

Peaches asked, "Where big pot?"

Kacie replied, "Should be one hanging above the stove on the island."

Peaches looked up, "Ah yes. Okay. I'll get water."

Wynn told Kacie, "If you can get me a stool I can start chopping vegetables."

Kacie told Peaches, "Peaches, on the other side of the bar there are a couple stools, could you bring on over for Wynn please?"

Peaches replied, "Yes Ma'am."

Kacie blushed, "Ah...don't call me that, makes me feel old."

Peaches apologized, "Sorry, Mistress."

Kacie almost died laughing, "Mistress? Maya, what have you been teaching this girl?!"

Maya wasn't paying attention to the conversation as she was still thinking about

what happened last night, "Huh?"

Kacie dismissed the whole incident, "Never mind, not important. Hey, when are Ron and Sara coming back?"

Maya told her, "Sara called me earlier they were going to have dinner with his mother and Blanche."

Kacie explained, "Okay. Kayré and Olivia are having dinner with Linda. What about Andy?" Nobody said anything, "Anyone, know about Andy?"

Lindsay walked in was a little panicked, "What about Andy?"

Kacie turned around, "Oh, sorry did we wake you?"

Lindsay told her, "No. What about Andy?" Lindsay was getting worried something had happened to him.

Kacie sensed Lindsay's nervousness, "Sorry. I was asking if anyone knew when he was going to be back? Ron and Sara won't be back until late. We are getting dinner prepped."

Lindsay was relieved, "Oh good. I thought something had happened to him. Let me give him a call." She got a hold of Andy who informed her, he was going to have dinner with his former associates. Lindsay got off the phone and smiled, "Well, it is just us girls! What can I do to help?"

Kacie appreciated Lindsay's offer, "We're fine. Why don't you and Maya go chat in the living room. Wynn, Peaches and I can handle dinner."

Lindsay was puzzled, "Um...okay."

Maya took Lindsay's left hand and guided her to the living room, "Come Lindsay. I need to talk to you about last night."

Lindsay was wondering what she did now, "I am not sure what you mean? What did I do?"

Maya assured her, "You didn't do anything. I want to apologize to you for my behaviour last night. I was out-of-line and should have never treated you the way I did. For that I am deeply sorry."

Lindsay was relieved, "Thank you Maya, that was very sweet of you." She tried to give Maya a brief kiss. Maya backed away which surprised Lindsay, "Sorry, was I out of line?"

Maya explained, "May be not, but Peaches likes to think she is the only girl I do."

Lindsay giggled, "Ah, okay."

Peaches walked in with a bottle of wine, "Anyone wants some?"

Lindsay declined, "No, I best not."

Maya not wanting a repeat of last night, "Dear, I don't think it is a good idea if I did either."

Peaches seemed a bit upset but understood, "May be good idea. You've been drinks a lot Mistress."

Maya was embarrassed, "I know and you saw what happened last night."

Peaches tried to lighten the mood, "I knows, still sore from carrying you. I be in kitchen."

Maya asked confused, "What did she mean by that?"

Lindsay explained, "You passed out last night. Peaches carried you out of the Hummer and then into the master bedroom."

Maya laughed, "Okay, I wondered how I ended up in there. Guess our firefighter workout did do her some good!"

Peaches returned a short time later, 'Dinner!' The five girls had dinner and then headed into the living room.

Kayré came in, "Hey! Who's all here?"

Kacie explained, "Easier to tell you who is not, which would be Ron, Sara and Andy."

Kayré laughed, "Okay. I take it y'all already had dinner. What do you want to do now?"

Maya laughed, "Well, I do have some *girl* movies if anyone is interested!" Maya went into her room to retrieve the DVD's. They spent the next couple hours *enjoying* the movies and each other. They had deiced to call it a night when Andy came back.

Andy asked, "Have Ron and Sara come back yet?"

Maya replied, "No, last I had heard they were going to have dinner with his

mother and Blanche. Let me call them."

Chapter 5: The Truth Comes Out and Lindsay is Punished?

We were on our way back coming up north on I-19 towards Tucson when my cell phone rang, I told Sara, "You answer it, it's your sister?"

Sara was being a smart ass, "Which one?"

I laughed, "Which one...you're paternal. Likely wants to know where we are. Let her know we will be there in about 45-minutes."

We arrive back at The Ranch a little before midnight. When we entered the garage we were greeted by Maya, "You two have fun?"

Sara replied, "Fun? I had dinner with the in-laws! Okay, yes we did. How you doing?"

Maya laughed, "See you two are so cute together. I'm doing better. Sorry about last night. I apologized to Lindsay earlier."

We walked in to the kitchen and noticed the house was fairly dark. I asked, "Anyone else still up?"

Maya replied, "I think Peaches is waiting up for me. But, I wanted to see you two when you got back. Again, I am really sorry about the other night at Corona de la Estrella's. Thanks for letting Peaches and I stay at the house...again."

As I have over and over, I reminded her, "You are family. You may not be a Merlot, but you are still family. We look out for each other. I told you in the beginning, stay as long as you need. Besides having Peaches around the house is going to help Wynn out until she gets the cast off in six weeks."

Maya had no idea, "Six weeks?"

Sara replied, "Yep. Then she will get a walking cast for another couple weeks. She will need to get the muscles in that leg strengthened up too."

Maya was in shock, "Gosh, never knew a broken leg would take that long to heal. I was very young when I broke my arm when Sara knocked me out of the tree house."

Sara laughed, "Oh god, forgot about that. Our dad built that for us in the spring and we spent most of the summer up there. As I recall, you didn't let the broken arm stop you from spending time up there though. You still managed to climb up with one arm."

Maya recalled, "Well, it was our hide-out from our *brother* and his friends." I was not aware they had a brother, of course up until a few months ago I was not even aware of Maya.

Sara agreed, "Yep, we had that big '*No Boys Allowed*' sign. They tried once to come up so we dropped water balloons on them! Those were the days. God I miss him!"

I wasn't sure if it was a good idea to bring it up, but I asked anyway "Brother?"

Maya informed me, "Yeah, Tony Orlando. Though technically, he was our neighbour but practically lived with us that summer. We always joked that he was our brother. Peaches is waiting up for me, so good night."

Sara replied, "Good night dear." We headed to bed.

Kacie was knocking at the door, "Breakfast is served." After getting dress we headed into the kitchen to find Peaches and Wynn had setup a breakfast buffet. During breakfast Kacie asked, "If it is not too much trouble, is it possible we can head back today?"

I didn't really have any reason to stay in Tuscon but was curious as to why the sudden urge to leave, "I don't see why not. Any particular reason?"

Kayré replied, "Yea, mom says she got some one wanting to rent out The Ranch this weekend. She needs a couple days to get it prepped after we leave."

I asked, "Is this okay with everyone else?"

Andy commented, "Fine. We really should be getting back to the stores. Dunn Brooks is suppose to be coming in this week too." They headed to their room to pack their bags.

I asked Kayré, "Anything we can do to help with The Ranch?"

Kayré assured us, "No, Mom has a service that will take care of everything. I'll give her a call and let her know." While Kayré was on the phone with her mother, the rest of us got packing. Later that morning we headed out. We arrived back at the Scottsdale house right around sunset.

Peaches got out the Jeep and looked around, "Forgot how beautiful up here. We don't get sunsets like this in Wyoming."

I told her, "You will really enjoy the view from your new room with Maya."

Peaches wondered, "What happened Maya's room?"

Lindsay told her, "Andy and I had it turned into our office. I'm going to take a nap before dinner."

Wynn announced she was going to get going on dinner. Since she would not be able to make her way up to the Queen Suite, I guided Peaches and Maya to their new room, "Maya and Peaches come with me please." I led them to the Queen Suite, "I hope a Queen Size bed will do."

Peaches laughed, "We had double at The Chugwater Ranch."

Maya looked around and asked, "Is it me or this room bigger than my old one?"

I explained, "Yes, this room is a lot bigger than your old one. You even have a sitting area and an en-suite bathroom albeit it is a Jack and Jill."

Peaches not familiar with the term, "Who Jack and Jill?"

Maya explained, "It is a term for a bathroom that is shared between two rooms. I'll explain it in more detail some other time. Let's unpack and I want to take a bath."

Peaches replied, "Go ahead dear. I'll unpack later, I want to talk to Ron..." She then noticed the French Doors leading to the balcony. "...outside." I followed Peaches out onto the Balcony. She sat down on the swing and told me, "Maya says I no need to work. But, I don't feel right."

Again I explained, "Peaches, for the next six to eight weeks Wynn is going to be limited in what she can do. You can help her around the house. When she is better, we can take it from there. Don't worry about it. The only reason Maya is working is to pay her way through school and to feed the Pink Monster."

Peaches looked at me confused, "Pink Monster?" I was about to explain when she figured it out on her own, "Oh. Maya's Hummer?"

I told her, "Yea. Actually it was Martina's but she gave it to Maya when she ran off to Henderson with Marc."

Peaches laughed, "I wondered why Maya have Pink Hummer. Red, yes. Pink, no. Wow, what a view. Thank you sir!" She got up and gave me bear hug.

After I recovered I reminded her, "Your welcome, and call me Ron."

Maya walked out wearing a bathrobe. She stood out on the balcony for a couple minutes then commented, "Can't believe I am saying this, so glad to be back here."

I reminded her, "You're welcome to stay." I joked, "Don't be in such a hurry to leave this time!"

Maya laughed, "Don't worry I am not going anywhere. Got me several more semesters of school ahead of me. I thinking I may be able to get caught up to my friends by doing summer session." She turned to Peaches who was back sitting on the swing and looked very relax, "You doing okay?"

Peaches sighed, "I miss Wyoming. But you here with me. Why they abandon us?"

Maya sat down next to Peaches, "I am not sure. My father acts weird around money and women. Thought Tess would keep him in line. Can't believe those two got married so quickly."

Peaches replied with a laugh, "Married? No, no. They not married. Tess business partner."

Maya looked at Peaches in shock, "Um...wait...What?"

Peaches repeated, "Tess business partner. They not married. What part you not understand?"

Maya was holding back her anger, "All of it. Never mind. I really don't care anymore. I am not all that surprised. Should have seen that it was all a ploy. Oh well, I am going to take a soak." She kissed Peaches and headed back inside.

Peaches looked at me, "She took that well."

I was surprised too, "Yeah, yea she did..." But I was concerned and asked, "Keep an eye on her please, I don't want her self-destructing."

Peaches understood, "I'll make sure she don't drink lots."

I told her, "Glad you were able to come back with her. She needs you. Much like Sara needs Lindsay."

Peaches told me, "I take care of her, you no worry. Let's go downstairs and I help Wynn." We headed downstairs and found Wynn in the kitchen surveying the contents of the fridge. Peaches asked, "What can I help?"

Wynn replied, "Well, seeing as Andy has raided the fridge and it is almost empty, you can take me to the market. Don't think it is a good idea for me to be on my Vespa with this broken leg."

I pointed to the key rack by the door, "Take the Jeep. To exit the courtyard and

the community just pull up towards the gates, they will open automatically. The community gates are opened with the first button on the visor remote. Wynn has a remote for the courtyard gates on her ring. By the way what's for dinner?"

Wynn replied, "Haven't made my spicy meatloaf in a while."

I reminder her, "We had that the night Jed mysteriously showed up."

Wynn recalled, "Oh yea, we did. Anyway I can sit while prepping most of the meal. Peaches can help me with the green beans and smashed potatoes."

The two of them left and headed to the market. I decided while I had some free time I'd head into my office and get some minor projects started. Maya came downstairs and into my office a little later. She commented on the doors, "I see you replaced both doors."

I explained, "Gary said it would cheaper and easier just to install a whole new unit instead of replacing the one door and repairing the other."

She had noticed the armoire, "Is that new? I don't recall seeing that before or that odd looking vase."

I walked into the library with her and explained, "Yeah, the armoire is new. Everything that was in the closet from the room formerly known as the Presentation Room is now in there. That vase hides the spreader bar clamp and if you look up you'll see the ceiling hook. Dundee built the armoire along with the desk for the McGrawl's office. He had a hell of time getting their desk into the house too."

Maya replied, "I haven't seen their office yet. I didn't want to bother them. I might have accidentally offended Lindsay yesterday."

I asked, "How so?"

Maya laughed, "After she apologized, she started to kiss me and I backed away. I told her it was because Peaches wants her to be the only girl I do. Speaking of Peaches, where is she?"

I explained, "She and Wynn went to the market to get some food for dinner and to restock the fridge after Tropical Storm Andy made landfall in the kitchen!"

Maya giggled, "He does eat a lot doesn't he? Well, since she is not around right now can I ask you a question?" I nodded yes, "So, what do you think about me having Peaches belted? I mean she knows about our lifestyle."

I wondered, "Has she seen you in your belt"

Maya replied, "Actually no, she has not. We are about the same size so she should be able to fit into my older belt. May be slightly big for her, but she could at least get a feel for the belt. I suppose I can talk to Gary, need to talk to Bambi anyways."

I replied, "I have no say other than I have never required anyone, other than Martina to wear a belt. Sara and Wynn have done so voluntarily. Sara was more to protect herself against Martina and my sister."

Maya laughed, "Never thought I see the day she'd wear a dress!"

I added, "Or be belted."

Maya looked at me oddly, "Oh, she was? That would explain why she was walking so weird. Suppose that too is why she was in a dress. Interesting."

I wasn't really paying attention to her comments, was thinking about her response in regards to Peaches being the only girl she does, "Um hey. Okay so if you are reversing yourself just for Peaches, how is that going to affect your relationship with Bambi?"

Maya told me, "Like I said before I left, Bambi and I are nothing more than good friends. Okay?"

I think I struck a never, "Yes, Maya. I'll drop the subject now."

Maya left the library and headed back to her room. I still wanted to talk to her and Peaches together about this past weekend.

Up in the King Suite, Lindsay had kicked off her shoes and laid on top of the bed for a nap.

A short while later Andy and Sara walked in to the office. Sara explained, "Lindsay needs to be punished for her behaviour last week."

I objected, "As if she hasn't been already with her injuries and spending the night in jail."

Sara told me, "She got punished then for what she did to Wynn, but there is still the matter of what she did to *me*."

I looked at Andy who told me, "I have to agree with Sara on this one. Sara and I want Lindsay caned."

Sara added, "But neither Andy nor I can not bring ourselves to do it. We want

Maya to cane her.”

I warned her, “Maya is not going to be gentle and will very likely hurt Lindsay.”

Andy confirmed, “We know. Please call Maya down here.”

Sara excused herself while I paged Maya to my office. She appeared a few minutes later, “What now?”

I explained, “Andy needs your help.”

Andy told Maya, “Sara and I want you to cane Lindsay, as punishment for what she did to Sara and I last week.”

Maya was confused, “Why me? Why not you or Sara?”

Andy replied, “Because we would go too easy on her.”

Maya turned to me, “Is this some kind of joke Ron?”

I explained, “While I don't agree with what they want to do to Lindsay, it is ultimately up to Andy.”

Andy explained, “She will be in an eyeless hood, so she will not know who is caning her.”

Maya agreed, but reluctantly, “Okay. When?”

Andy told us, “Now. I'll bring her down, you wait in the dressing room until I get the hood on her.” Maya headed down to the playroom and waited in the dressing room with a rattan cane awaiting Andy's instructions. A few minutes later Andy was guiding Lindsay down the stairs. He explained, “Sara and I both feel you need to be punished for what you did to us last week. However, neither one of us can bring ourselves to punish you. So, we have someone else who is going to cane you.”

Lindsay was confused, “Cane me? Who?”

Andy handed her a hood, “Put this on. You are not to know who is caning you.”

Lindsay objected, “I don't want to put this hood on!”

Andy sighed and demanded, “Please don't make this anymore difficult for yourself. You will put the hood on, NOW!”

Lindsay was starting to get scared she had never seen Andy behave this way. She

knew he was already upset over the way she reacted to the whole incident. She decided if she knew what was good for her she'd better put on the hood, "Yes sir!"

She put the hood over her head and once Andy fastened and locked the collar he called out, "Ready for you now." He led Lindsay to the caning bench, "I'll do her arms, you get her legs." Andy secured the the forearm and wrist straps while Maya secured Lindsay's legs to the bench. Andy checked all the restraints and told Maya, "Let me leave here and then she is all yours."

Lindsay panicked, "Don't leave me!"

Andy told her, "Sorry, I can not stay here." He headed up the stairs and closed the door behind him loudly. Maya stood there looking at Lindsay shaking in the hood. She felt bad for Lindsay, but at the same time she knew Lindsay needed to be punished. She started with some light whacks to Lindsay's behind. Lindsay was thinking to herself that this wasn't going to be as bad as she thought. Maya started thinking about how Lindsay had hurt Sara, especially not believing Sara about 'sleeping with Andy'. The anger bubbled up in Maya and she landed a very heavy whack to Lindsay's behind. Lindsay was caught off guard and let out a scream.

Maya continued the hard and heavy whacks to the point Lindsay was sobbing and screaming, begging for this to end, "Please, please stop. I am sorry." Maya stopped but only to switch sides. She walked to the right side of Lindsay and continued whacking her as she thought about her father. Lindsay was sobbing uncontrollably now. Reality suddenly set in for Maya as she stood back and realized what she had done. She saw Lindsay's behind covered in dark red welts some bleeding, she could almost feel Lindsay's pain. She dropped the cane and ran out of the playroom, leaving Lindsay all alone restrained to the caning bench withering in pain and crying.

Maya came up to my office in tears, "I can't do it anymore. I am sorry, I know I have hurt her." She left presumably to head upstairs to her own room to cry.

I paged Andy to my office and when he walked in I let him have it, "I hope you're happy. You've likely scarred Maya now. She was already in a fragile state. I suppose we should release Lindsay and see what kind of damaged Maya did to her."

We made our way down to the playroom. Upon hearing our footsteps Lindsay started pleading, "No more please! No more!"

Andy replied, "It is over...oh my lord...that does not look good." I saw Lindsay's bottom, Maya had really done a number on her.

Lindsay passed out from the pain, but then awoke a few seconds later and let out

a scream...she then realized she was in the King Suite dressed as she was when we had arrived back at the house earlier. There was no throbbing pain from her rear. She slowly reached behind her and felt her rear end, no welts or bleeding. She was rather confused when Sara came running in, "You okay dear?"

Lindsay wasn't sure, "I don't know? Did you and Andy have me punished?"

Sara laughed, more out of confusion, "Punished? What are you talking about?" She noticed Lindsay was shaking uncontrollably and was pale white. Sara got on the intercom, "Ron, Andy....King Suite now." She turned back to Lindsay, "It's okay sweetie, I'm here." Sara did her best to try calm Lindsay.

Andy and I made our way to the King Suite. Andy saw Lindsay and asked Sara, "What happened to her?"

Sara was uncertain, "I don't know. She says you and I wanted her punished?"

Lindsay was trying to calm down but explained, "Andy and Sara wanted me caned, but they said they would not do it. So, they had someone else do it...I think Maya, but I was in a hood..so much pain. Andy and Ron came back to the playroom and saw me..." She was crying hysterically now.

Sara tried to calm Lindsay, "You had a bad dream. We would never do that you. Right Ron?"

I confirmed, "Yes. I would never allow someone else to hurt any member or guest of this household, family or not. Further, I sure as heck would not allow Maya anywhere near you with a cane right now. She has a lot of pent up anger towards you and her father right now and would've done a number on you." Lindsay seemed relived and had calmed down dramatically. "I'll leave you an Andy to talk things over. Dinner will be in an about an hour."

As we left Lindsay asked, "Sara can you come back please?" Sara looked at me wanting to make sure it was okay, I nodded yes. I made my way back to my office while Sara stayed to comfort her adopted sister. About an hour later Peaches announced over the intercom dinner was served. Since it was rather late by the time we finished dinner we ended up having light drinks and desert out on the Cabana.

Peaches walked over, "Wow, sure nice out here. Thank you again."

I told her, "Your welcome. This your home now, enjoy."

Chapter 6: Beware: There Be Skeletons in the Closet and 'We Will Make You Yet Another Offer You Can't Refuse'!

Lindsay was distracted with Sara so Andy came over to me and asked, "Can we talk for a minute?"

I replied, "Sure. How's Lindsay doing?"

Andy replied, "She is doing okay. She still having a hard time with that dream though."

I asked, "Anything I can do?"

Andy told me, "Well, yes. I think it may be a good idea to get the caning platform out of your playroom."

I told him, "Okay, does take up a lot of space too. However, just what do you purpose I do with it?"

Andy was uncertain, "I don't know, give it to Gary...or Marc."

I started laughing, "Oh lordy, I don't think that would be a good idea."

Andy laughed too, "You're right he could really hurt Martina."

Not what was I thinking, "Um...no the other way around. Martina would cane Marc. I'll get Gary on the horn in the morning."

We headed inside for the night. I informed Sara, "I am going to make sure our newest arrivals get settled in alright. I'll be in a bit."

Before heading upstairs, I checked on Wynn. I knocked on her door and she answered wearing nothing but her armor, "You doing alright?"

Wynn assured me, "Yes, Peaches was a great help. Is Lindsay okay she looked a bit pale during dinner?"

I explained, "While you and Peaches were gone she had a bad dream. Something about Andy and Sara wanting to 'punish' her. I don't know the full details, but some how Maya was involved and she caned the crap out of Lindsay. I think she is doing better. Andy asked me this evening to get rid of the caning platform. Anyway, I am going to check on them next along with Peaches and Maya. Good night."

I headed up the stairs and came to the King Suite. I knocked on the door and Andy answered, "Oh hey Ron. Checking up on us?"

I told him, "Yes. Lindsay doing better?"

Andy stepped out and closed the door, "Yeah. She's still a bit shaken up but should be fine. Hopefully, she will get a decent night's sleep tonight. She has not been sleeping well these past few days. If we need anything, we'll let you know."

I headed over the Queen Suite and knocked on the door. Peaches replied, "No one home!" I heard Maya laughing.

Maya opened the door, "Don't listen to her, she's being silly. What's up?"

I explained, "Just wanted to make sure you two are doing okay and if you needed anything."

Maya looked back in at Peaches and then replied, "Nope, I think we are good." I was about to leave when she asked, "Um, is Lindsay upset with me?" I was about to ask why when Maya explained, "She kinda looked at me oddly during the dinner." I motioned for her to step out she turned to Peaches, "I'll be back in a couple minutes."

Once we were in the hall I explained, "Earlier when you were out talking to Bambi and Gary, Lindsay had a really bad dream. It seems that Sara and Andy wanted to 'punish' her. They wanted her caned, but could not bring themselves to do it, so they had you perform the caning."

Maya cringed, "Oh shit, I could see where this is going. With my recent anger towards her and my father. I would have you know, that I would not have ever partaken in any such activity. Is she going to be alright?"

I assured her, "She doing better. Andy is hoping she can get a decent night's sleep. At least being back 'home' she should sleep better. Andy wants me to get rid of the caning platform so I'll see if Gary can take it off my hands. Oh well, good night."

Maya had a strange expression when I mentioned giving the caning platform to Gary, I didn't really make much of it. I was about to head back when Maya grabbed my arm, "Hey, I talked to Diane earlier and am suppose to meet with her tomorrow. She said she was going to be in need of a waitress, so I was thinking may be Peaches could work there in the evenings. But you had mentioned Kayré might have something for her?"

I explained, "Well, when I last talked to Kayré she told me she already found a replacement for Lindsay. You do know Peaches doesn't have to get a job right now."

Maya laughed, "I know, I know, but she does not like not doing anything and she wants to feel like she is contributing."

I told her, "Okay, well whatever works."

I headed to my room to find Sara already in bed wearing her armor and stockings. She asked, "Everyone doing alright?"

I explained, "Well, Lindsay is still a bit shaken up. Hopefully she will be able to sleep better tonight now that she is 'home'. Maya and Peaches are meeting with Diane tomorrow. Apparently Peaches wants to get a job with Maya but as waitress."

Sara asked, "Why does she need to get a job?"

I relayed what Maya told me, "She wants to feel like she is contributing. Not to change the subject but did you know that your father and Tess were never married?"

Sara was not surprised, "No, but I had my doubts. He seemed to have a hard time calling her his wife. The story on how they met seemed to be a bit fishy as well."

I wondered, "How about his story about his 'accident' last year?"

Sara was puzzled, "I am not familiar with that one."

I realized, "Oh wait, you were at the movies with Lindsay. After he mysteriously arrived that evening alone, Wynn went to give him some wine and he declined saying..."

Sara was shocked, "...whoa wait...our father turned down wine? I don't think so."

I continued, "Well he did that night. Had this sob story how he had gotten into an accident last year and the DA had cut him a deal if he want to rehab he wouldn't face any jail time. Theoretically that is where he met Tess. But Peaches says they were/are business partners."

Sara was laughing, "If you buy that, he'll also sell you some ocean front property in Arizona. Sorry, I don't buy it. He might have a drinking problem...well hell he does, but nonetheless he would never enter into rehab. Good night Ron."

The next morning we were awake by the rooster and Peaches, "Good Morning everyone. Breakfast in 30 minutes. French Toast, Hash browns, Sausage links and Mystery Fruit."

Sara rolled over and asked, "Mystery Fruit?"

I just looked at her wondering the same, "Haven't a clue, but sure we will find out

soon enough.”

After getting dressed we headed downstairs and discovered they 'Mystery Fruit' was cantaloupe. After breakfast Maya told Peaches, “I am going to get freshened up before we see Diane. So whenever you are ready we can go, not that we need to be there at any particular time.”

Maya headed upstairs and Peaches had headed into the kitchen to help Wynn with the breakfast dishes. I followed her and told her, “After you are done here, get Maya and come to my office. The three of us need to talk.”

Peaches nodded, “Okay.”

I headed over to my office to get on the horn with Gary. I tried his Office, “ACME BDSM Deer Valley Lulu.”

I asked, “Morning Lulu. Ron Merlot here, Gary around?”

Lulu replied, “Sure.”

She connected me with Gary, “Morning Ron, what's up?”

I explained, “Hey I need to get rid of the caning platform. Andy wants it gone, I was hoping you would take it.”

Gary asked, “Why do they not want it anymore?”

I felt it was best not to tell him all of what happened yesterday, so I had to get creative, “Well, I thinking because it reminds Lindsay of the club and the mess they are trying to put behind them in Tucson.”

Gary seemed to buy this, “Ah okay. Well, I...um....can't take it....Bunny won't let me. I can likely help you sell it and transport it with the ACME Truck.”

I had a weird feeling that the reason Bunny wouldn't let him have it was because of Maya and Bambi, especially after seeing Maya's reaction the night before. However, I let him know, “Okay. Peaches and I will move it over to my shop garage for the time being.” Peaches and Maya walked in, “Gotta go Gary, talk to you later.” I turned my attention to Peaches and Maya, “Have a seat ladies.”

Maya asked, “You wanted to see us?”

I explained, “Yes. Um...about this past weekend...I am not trying to lecture you Maya, but what happened this weekend? This should have been a joyous occasion for you and Sara. Now, I know things were a little awkward because of Lindsay and Wynn. Still...”

Peaches grabbed Maya's hand, "I worry. Ron worry. We don't want you to become your father."

I told Peaches, "But he did clean up his act after his 'accident' last year."

Peaches looked at me and asked, "What accident?" We both looked at her blankly, "What you two talking about?"

I commented, "Hmm, I think Sara was right. Um...when Jed showed up mysteriously in January, Wynn offered him a glass of wine and he declined."

Peaches replied, "We talk about same Jed?"

I continued, "He says he had stopped drinking after he had gotten into an accident last year. Something about a snow drift and a tree. Says the DA had cut him a deal, go into rehab and not face jail time. He claims to have met Tess while in rehab."

Peaches was laughing, "No, no, no....he's pulling your arm..."

Maya corrected her, "You mean leg?"

Peaches replied, "Yea whatever. He never in accident. Another his lies."

Maya revealed, "You know, I was so angry at Sara for the way she behaved towards him that night. And yet, once again she was right. Seems to be the way it goes. She was right about Dirk, my father and even Bambi."

I was confused, "Wait....um....what...Bambi?"

Maya sighed and told me, "Yes, Bambi. You remember that conversation we had a while back...where you and Sara were worried I could hurt her?" I nodded yes and wondered where this was leading, "Not long after we returned from the Chugwater job, I was caning her and one thing lead to another and I got a bit out-of-hand."

Hmm this would explain why Gary didn't want the caning platform. I was afraid to ask, "How out-of-hand?"

Maya sighed, "She kept repeating her safe word but I kept going. She was rather unhappy with me as were Bunny and Gary. We all decided to drop the show and just be friends."

I could see bit of relief in Maya but I wanted to know about Sunday night, "Back to Sunday night. As I had said earlier this was suppose to be a joyous time, you

and Sara reunited, again. But it just went downhill fast when you started in on Lindsay. Why?"

Maya explained, "I suppose I was already upset with my father and step-mother..or Tess whatever the hell she is to me. Was still carrying that with me and then I saw Wynn on crutches. But, I guess what had pushed me over was when Sara and Lindsay explained what happened. How Lindsay would not believe Sara was telling her the truth. Then the way she treated Sara thereafter. I really don't remember much after the first Martini." Maya was in tears and I could tell she had a lot remorse for what happened.

Peaches reached over and started rubbing her arm, "Okay dear. We worry about you."

I told them, "Listen I know things have been very crazy these past few days. But, you are not alone Maya. It hasn't been a walk in the park for everyone else here. I know it is going to be a bit tough trying to adjust, but I think once you start doing Vinnie's again and going back to school, things will get easier. But, Peaches says Sunday night was not the first time."

Maya acknowledged, "True. I did not take to my father kicking us out too well. I'm sorry, I know better and I will do better. Just for once in my life, I wish things would go well."

I told her, "I think they are, you have Peaches. She cares very much for you and is willing do anything and everything she can to make sure you are still going to be around and are happy. Don't give up, you've got a good thing going here."

Peaches kissed and then hugged Maya, "I don't want to loose you. You are all I have. Please!"

Maya composed herself as she realized Peaches was right, "Don't worry. Ron is right, once I get going back at Vinnie's then this summer at ASU, things will get easier and better for me. But don't worry I am not going to leave you. You helped me during a tough time and have given me something to look forward to. I love you."

Peaches was a bit shocked, "Really? I never knew. Well, I love you too."

I reminded them, "Um don't forget about your meeting with Diane."

Maya stood up and straighten up her outfit, "Yes, we should be going shortly. Thanks Ron."

Maya and Peaches departed for Vinnie's Pizza. They arrived at the old location to find Drew on his way out. He greeted her, "Maya! I had heard rumors you were

back in town." He then noticed Peaches, "Who's your friend?"

Maya blushed, "News sure does travel fast here doesn't it." She introduced Peaches, "Drew, this is Anna Adele Cruz."

Drew extended his hand, "Pleasure to meet you Anna..."

Peaches grabbed his hand and gave Drew her trademark bear hugs and correct him, "Peaches, call me Peaches."

Drew was trying to recover, "Okay...Peaches it is then."

Maya informed him, "Suppose to meet with Diane, she here?"

Drew advised, "No she is at the new store, follow me." Drew climbed into his Big Foot truck while Maya and Peaches followed in the Hummer. Drew headed through the circle, crossing Desert Oasis Parkway then drove around the back of the gas station to the west side by Pima Highway.

Maya had no idea there was a market much less a restaurant over here, "Didn't know this was here, neat."

Drew walked in followed by Maya and Peaches, "Dianne...Maya and Ana...er Peaches are here."

Dianne walked out dressed in a purple top with black shorts and black stockings. She saw Maya and Peaches, "Ladies welcome." Drew left and Dianne explained, "Okay, in another couple weeks we will be fully moved over here. I hope this pays off and we get some more business. If anything I am thinking when the residents have guests, they will bring them here. Anyway, let's get down to business. What is your schedule like Maya?"

Maya explained, "I'll likely be doing summer session, but that does not start until the end of May. I can do evenings if you like."

Diane asked, "Do you want to continue doing deliveries or did you want to waitress as well?"

Before Maya could answer Diane added, "Speaking of delivery since the Desert Oasis Association annexed in the Ashler Hills Estates, they are now part of our discounted delivery area."

Maya asked rather confused, "Ashler Hills Estates?"

Diane explained, "It is a small custom home development that borders the golf course north of Westland Road on this side of the Pima Highway. Not sure of the

whole arrangement but they became part of the Desert Oasis Community Association as of March 1st. Roadrunner is suppose to extend to the northwest, from Sagebrush and connect into that community. Right now you only get to it via the Pima Highway I think there are may be a dozen home sites up there."

Maya told her, "I think it would be best if I stick to the deliveries. I think Peaches and I would hurt each other if we were together all the time."

Peaches agreed, "So true."

Diane was fascinated with Peaches' accent, "Your accent?"

Peaches explained, "Hungarian. Was born and spent 20-years there. Ended up here on work program for sponsorship and then got citizenship."

Diane asked, "Okay Peaches, if you are going to be waitress you will need to dress similar as I am. That is, purple top, black shorts and black stockings with black sandals. Is that a problem?"

Peaches replied, "No. Will need purple shirts."

Diane told her, "I'll take care of that. Anyway, since we are in the process of moving I am going to wait on having you two start until after the move. Any questions?" Neither girl had any. Diane added, "Oh, all my Target Cards are over at the old location. I'll drop one off at the Gate House tomorrow."

Chapter 7: The Best Laid Plans Never Go As Planned

Maya and Peaches headed back to the house. Peaches checked with Wynn who informed her it would be a couple more hours until lunch and she was doing fine for now. Maya suggested that her and Peaches spend some quality time together. Maya's plan *was* to introduce Peaches to her chastity belt lifestyle. What Peaches did not know was Maya was wearing her belt under her shorts. She had her key on a long chain around her neck. They headed up to the Queen Suite and went into the sitting room to talk and flirt. They were sitting on the couch chatting with a light kiss here and there. Maya removed Peaches top and started rubbing her tit's. They moved back into the main part of the suite and got on the bed. Maya had removed all of Peaches clothes except her panties. Peaches lifted up Maya's top to get to her tits. She then went to remove Maya's shorts when she felt the steel band around her waist. Peaches was a bit startled, "What this?" Maya stood as Peaches removed Maya's shorts exposing her belt. Peaches walked around Maya looking at the belt in great interest.

Maya asked, "Take it you never seen a chastity belt?"

Peaches smiled, "No, only heard about them when modeled."

Maya teased, "You like?"

Peaches was grinning, "Yes I do. How do you get off?"

Maya explained, "I don't. That is the purpose, I can't touch myself nor can anyone else when I am locked into this. The front shield prevents anything from making contact with my pussy, much less being inserted. It dulls any sensations if I tried to use a vibrator."

Peaches confirmed, "You can not remove if you not have key?" Maya nodded yes. Peaches asked, "Where key?" Maya removed the key from around her neck and handed it to Peaches, something she would later regret. Peaches took the key, inserting into to the radial lock and removed the lock. Maya showed her how to unfasten the waistband from the front shield.

Maya explained, "Normally the shield is flat. Gary had this specially made for me to secure on to the piercings in my pussy." She slid the shield off revealing the pussy buttons which sealed her pussy closed.

Peaches knelt down to examine Maya's pussy, "Not seen those before." While she couldn't stick a finger into Maya's pussy she could rub Maya's clit which was exactly what she started doing.

Maya was a bit startled and turned on, "Oh god, I need to get on the bed. Let me remove the piercings."

Peaches led Maya to the bed but instructed her, "No, leave piercings." Maya was a bit puzzled, but went ahead with Peaches wishes. Peaches resumed rubbing Maya's clit and was not long before Maya had a powerful orgasm. Maya needed a few movements to recover and laid down on the bed. Peaches walked over and picked up the belt and then ordered Maya, "Get up!" Maya wasn't sure what was happening but she got off the bed and stood by the bed. Peaches came over and slid the pussy buttons back into the front shield. She connected the waistband around Maya's waist and then attached the front shield to the waistband. She picked up the lock and threaded back on to the belt until it snapped into place releasing the key.

Maya asked, "Can I have the key now?"

Peaches told her, "No! I want to be only girl you do. Now lay down." Peaches put the key around her neck and climbed upon the bed and straddled Maya's head. Peaches demanded, "Eat me!" An orgasm or two later Peaches got off the bed and went to the bathroom to freshen up.

Wynn announced over the intercom lunch was ready. As they were heading out of

the suite Maya again asked for her key to which Peaches told her, "If I am your only girl, then you don't need key!" While Maya had wanted long term chastity she didn't really plan on having someone else controlling her key. Peaches quickly made her way down the stairs.

Maya met up with Lindsay and Andy, "I think I made an error in my plan to introduce Peaches to chastity belts."

Lindsay asked, "How so?"

Maya replied, "Peaches is now my key holder."

Lindsay giggled, "Welcome to the club sister. After that little fiasco last week Sara has been holding mine."

Maya laughed, "*Little?! Thing is I am into longer term chastity, if I am in control of the key.*"

Andy observed, "That kind of defeats the purpose."

Maya explained, "Yeah I know. I meant before when the belt didn't come off and even there after I kept the key in Ron's safe. I could only get to it when he was around, but I could still get to it. Oh well, what's the worse that could happen?"

We all gathered around the table as Wynn and Peaches served turkey, bacon and avocado wraps. After lunch as Peaches was picking up the dishes Maya noticed the key wasn't around her neck anymore. She decided to ask about that, "Say Peaches, what did you do with my key?"

Maya's heart sank and yet she felt a tingle of excitement between her legs when Peaches informed her, "Key in Ron's safe. You not allowed to have it."

Maya replied, "Well that didn't go as planned."

I was returning to the kitchen to get a Dr. Pepper when I saw Maya and remembered I wanted to ask her about Corona de la Estrella's and the tribute to Hal and Maria. I commented, "Hey Maya, been meaning to ask you about something."

Maya replied, "If it has to do with my father I'd rather not talk about it."

I assured her, "No...No, last Friday at the grand reopening of Corona de las Estrella's, Linda mentioned you had put together a bit of tribute for Hal and Maria."

Maya explained, "Oh yeah. I was so inspired by Linda's determination and how

she moved forward after her husband died. I wanted to find out more about him and Olivia's mother. I had talked to Linda a little bit about it and what information I had found. Kayré had mentioned they were going to a dedication plaque. So I put everything together and gave it to them when they were here after when we had gotten back from the Chugwater job."

I was impressed, "That was nice of you, Linda gave a shout-out to you during her grand opening speech. Anyway...Oh how did it go with Dianne?"

Maya replied, "She says she wants to wait on us until after the move in about two weeks. That will work as it will give me chance to see what I can do for summer session."

Peaches had left the room, so I asked about Peaches and her belt, "I thought the plan was for you to put Peaches in a belt?"

Maya laughed, "Well, that didn't work as I was expecting as you have found out. Oh well, I guess it is Karma from when Bambi and I were together. She was always belted and I always had her servicing me. Now I am the one who is belted and servicing Peaches. I'll get use to it."

I asked her, "How you doing with the latest revelations about your father?"

Maya sighed, "I realized now, there really no reason to be angry about it. What is done is done and I just move on. At this point nothing surprise me about him anymore. I am worried about one thing though..."

I wondered, "What is that?"

Maya saw Lindsay in the Great Room and told me, "Let's talk in your office." We walked into my office and Maya closed the doors then explained, "Dunn Brooks. I just hope my father wasn't stringing the McGrawl's along with him."

I told Maya, "I don't think he was. Dunn did some work for them a while back, but he really doesn't know them that well. He didn't seem that comfortable there that night either."

Maya added, "Probably because he didn't want anything more to do with my father. I think he knew Tess from before."

I explained, "Andy has known Dunn for a long while. He had wanted Dunn to be the next manager for the Fountain Hills store. We were talking about him when Andy, Wynn and I were at *Sacred Ground* on that *Glenn Campbell* night. He called Andy and told him he had accepted an offer in Wyoming."

Maya looked at me confused and asked, "That is the second time you mentioned

this 'Glenn Campbell' night. What the hell are you talking about?"

I laughed, "Okay, well let's see...you were at Vinnie's that evening so you weren't here. After dinner Andy and Lindsay showed up at the front door. No phone call, no email, no warning, they were just here. Lindsay was very pissed, of course Andy was too, but not as much as Lindsay. They had been at the Fountain Hills store since early that morning investigating customer complaints as well as reports from other employees. Seems the current sales manager was getting a bit too *friendly* with the female customers. So, Lindsay walks in and he immediately starts hitting on her and trying to touch her. So she kned him in the groin and slapped him. He saw Andy and told him this "crazy bitch" had just attacked him. Andy told him the "crazy bitch" was his wife and co-owner and by the way you're fired!"

Maya was laughing, "Ah, okay now I understand the Glenn Campbell reference. Gee, Lindsay seems so sweet and innocent. But, then again I saw what she did to Wynn."

I added, "Well, the difference though is last week she was drunk. Though she did scream at Sara which was bit of a shock to Sara and I. I know we won't be seeing that side of Lindsay ever again. She knows if she ever does anything like that again, both her and Andy will be out of here. Lindsay won't let that happen as she does not want to leave Sara. Plus Andy would not be thrilled in having to find a new place to live. I know Lindsay is truly sorry for what happened and she would do anything to take back that night. Listen, what happened to Wynn was an accident. Poor judgment on my part as well as Wynn's for standing guard. That happens."

Maya was hesitant to forgive and forget, "I know I wasn't there but still..."

I asked her point-blank, "Have you ever done something you wish you could take back?"

Maya was silent for a long time. Peaches was looking into my office I motioned for her to come in. She quietly entered my office and sat down on a sofa, unbeknown to Maya. Maya sighed and then finally admitted, "Yes. Right before Sara moved out here with you. I had told her I was going to Frisco with Dirk and to quit being jealous that he was more interested in me. She pleaded with me not to go with him because he was bad news. Told me to come out with her instead. I wasn't thinking clearly and Dirk was 'behaving' at that time. It wasn't until after Sara had left and I went to Frisco that the abuse started. I should've known better, I should've trusted Sara instead of pretending she was jealous. May be I was mad at her, about our mother's death. I thought her and my father we're hiding the truth."

I told her, "So sorry. How long did you put up with him?"

Maya shivered for a second, "About three years. He left me alone when I was going to school. Of course, I stayed away from the house as much as I could during that time. He was working nights, don't recall where. I came home one night and found him home and drunk. We started arguing, don't know about what, likely him getting himself fired from his job. I got pissed at him and threw him against the wall. He called the cops and that was my first night in jail. He found another job and we made up. Everything was going well for the next few months until he lost that job. Woke up one morning to him trying to choke me and I threw him through a window. We both spent the night in jail and then he disappeared for several months. Should've gotten the locks changed or left while I had the chance. He stumbled in drunk that night last July with a knife. He lounged at me, I screamed and kicked him. He did slice my left arm, still have the scars to prove it. I kicked him again and he fell backwards out the door. I guess the neighbors called the cops and he ditched the knife when he heard the sirens. The cops arrested both of us. We're both at initial sentencing. DA was trying to get me on assault. The judge looked at me and saw my bandaged arm. She asked about it and I explained what happened. She asked the police if the knife had been recovered. They told her no."

I was surprised, "Good grief he has some issues." I noticed Peaches was crying and apparently like me this was the first she had heard about what has happened to Maya.

Maya laughed, "Yep. But, he won't shut up when he is drunk and that got him into a lot of trouble that night. He said something to the effect that he had hid the knife and would be waiting for me when I returned. The judge told me I was free to go all charges dropped. But then told to me wait, that she had something she wanted to tell me. This was when it came up that Dirk had the outstanding felony warrant from Clark County. Guess it stemmed back from when he had tried to get his way with Sara. Anyway, she told me he would not be bothering me anymore. I left and stayed at a friends house."

I asked, "Is that when you called Sara?"

Maya explained, "No, it wasn't until a couple days later. I wasn't sure what I was going to do or where I was going to go for that matter. Our landlord ended our lease and I ended up having to pay a few hundred dollars to repair the damages."

I was wondering, "How did you even have our phone number?"

Maya told me, "Before Sara left for her 'modeling' gig in Los Angeles, she told me the offer would always be open. She would persuade you to let me stay when it came down to that. She left me a Hallmark card on my bed with an apology, along with her phone number here. Funny thing is I almost tossed the card, but for some reason I knew I should hold on to it. I found it in my purse and decided

to call her. You know the rest. So, yes if I ever could...I would have given anything to take back that night that I told her I was going to Frisco. Or would it be the night I decided to go back to Chugwater? I don't know. I guess Chugwater worked out in the end, I likely would not have met Peaches. I love her so much."

Maya had no idea Peaches was in here until she told Maya, "I know now. I love you too."

Maya turned around startled and asked, "How long you've been back there?"

Peaches was in tears and told her, "Long enough. I understand now. Come. Let's rest. I make you happy." The two of them left hand in hand from my office.

Chapter 8: An Exchange & Time for another Play Night

By the time Saturday came around, we had noticed a great improvement in Lindsay. She was not limping anymore and seemed to have put the 'punishment dream' behind her now. Wynn seemed to be getting around better too as well. The mood Saturday morning was kind of bored. I was thinking about doing another play night, which would work out well given I was going to have to move The Budget Holstein's site to a new server. Their site was getting more traffic than the current server could handle. Since Wynn was still not allowed upstairs yet, I would have to setup the bed restraint system and toy bags in the Queen and King Suites.

- Sub – Dom – Location
- Sara – Andy – King Suite
- Wynn – Maya – Maid's Suite
- Lindsay – Peaches – Queen Suite

I had just gotten everything down paper, when Gary called, "Hey Ron, you interested in a bondage wheel and a 6-foot cage?"

Oh lordy, "Um...geez I could just picture Sara strapping Lindsay to the wheel and doing who knows what to her. Wait you said a 6-foot tall cage?"

Gary explained, "No, 6-feet long, by about 3 feet tall and deep. Could easily fit two victims in there...say Sara and Lindsay?"

I asked, "Sure, but for how much?"

Gary laughed, "You don't have to pay a thing, the Mistress is willing to take your caning platform and give you these two items in exchange."

Okay, this could work but, "Not sure if I can fit these items in my playroom. I suppose the bondage wheel doesn't take up that much space compared to the

caning platform. It is the cage I wondering about."

Gary assured me, "We should be able to make it work. You going to be home for a bit?"

I told him, "Got no plans until tonight. Going to be doing another play night so I can get The Budget Holstein's site moved over to a new server, without being disturbed."

Gary explained, "Well I can be over in a bit and we'll evaluate your playroom. Is the Budget Holstein project going to take all night?"

I replied, "Yes and no. The transferring of the contents as well as their database is going to take a while, but once I get it going I can let it run unattended. Why?"

Gary laughed, "Well, if we want those items we need to get them tonight."

I asked, "Where is this Mistress?"

Gary told me, "Not sure, she said she is in Kierland area of Phoenix, where ever that is."

I informed Gary, "Not too bad. Kierland area is near Greenway and Scottsdale Roads. A couple miles south of the Pima 101 freeway. Hmm, kinda want this to be a surprise, but I usually have the players get ready down in the playroom."

Gary had an idea, "As I recall, there is a bulkhead in that landing area leading back to the dressing rooms and storage area. I can hang a tarp so they won't be able to see into the playroom but still access the dressing rooms. I'll be over in about an hour."

I told Gary, "Okay that would work. See ya then." After I got off the horn with him I announced over the intercom, "House meeting 5-minutes in The Library, bring your keys." I headed into the library and opened the armorer removing the mason jar along with a handful of cable tags and a couple Sharpies. Within a couple minutes everyone was in the library. I set the mason jar on the table along with the cable tags and Sharpies. Instructed, "Please attach a cable tag to your key and place your name on the tag. When you are done, place the key in the mason jar."

Peaches reminded me, "Maya's key in safe."

I told her, "Thanks, I'll take care of that. Okay, for those of you who were here at Christmas already know what's up. We will be doing another play night tonight. As was the case during Christmas, I won't be participating."

Maya asked, "Why not?"

I explained, "For one thing, we would have an odd number of people if I did. Mainly though, because I have big project I must get done tonight. Plus Gary and I are going to be working on the playroom."

Sara asked, "What are you two going to be doing with the playroom?"

I laughed, "Cain't tell you it is a surprise. You will find out next week. Okay, so here is the plan for tonight. We will do dinner at Juan Jaime's over at Thompson Peak and Hayden around 6:00 PM. We should be back here by 8:00 PM. I'll give you an hour to get freshened up and to choose your outfits. Bring your outfit down to the playroom and place them on the rack near the dressing area. Once you are done head back up to the library by 9:00 PM. We will start shortly thereafter, depending on how long it will take me to get things setup up upstairs."

Lindsay asked, "So what we doing the rest of the day?"

I had an idea on how to get them out the house for the entire day, "Hold that thought." I went in to my office and removed six AMC VIP movie passes from the safe along with Maya's key. I placed they key in my pocket and headed back into the library, "How about spending the day at Desert Ridge?" I handed out the movie passes, "These passes are good for *any* movie even feature engagements. I'd suggest y'all take Maya's Hummer. Gary and I will meet y'all over at Juan Jaime's around 6:00 PM."

Everyone headed down to the garage, but I called out for Wynn, "Wynn since you need to wait for them to bring the Hummer around wait up a moment." I explained, "Since you are not able to get down to the playroom and you are going to be a sub in your own suite, you can just get dressed in your suite once I hand out the envelopes and explain the rules. You can also help me out by getting your bed setup. I'll leave a set of restraints and a toy bag in your suite while you are gone."

Wynn understood, "Okay sounds good." She headed out the front door and announced, "Gary's here!".

I met up with Gary at the front door who joked, "Kicked everyone out eh?"

I laughed, "Yep. We're going to meet them up at Juan Jaime's around 6:00 PM."

Gary asked, "Where the heck is that."

I explained, "Hayden and Thompson Peak, not too far from Kierland. Okay, let's head down to the playroom and take a look."

We headed into the kitchen then to the stairs leading to the playroom. Once we entered into the playroom Gary pointed out, "Yep, I knew there was a bulkhead here I can hang a tarp from there blocking the view into the playroom from this area. Now, can we access this from the outside?"

I explained, "Sort of, right now you can by going through the next garage into here. However, I can open part of this partition along with the exterior door." I walked in to the garage and headed to the third car portion of the garage. After pulling a couple releases, I slid the partition open and then pressed the button on the wall to open to door."

Gary commented, "Perfect. Okay, lets see here...we can put the bondage wheel over here. The cage though....hmm....I think we need to move the oral chairs elsewhere. There is some space by the fucking machine."

I reminded him, "Unless you want to be relocating my ceiling hooks, you will need to find somewhere else."

Gary looked around some more, "Okay, how about we move the fucking machine to the other side. The oral chairs take up less space. Then we can setup the cage over by where the chairs use to be."

I assumed he knew what he was doing, but wondered, "Sure, however isn't this stuff bolted down?"

Gary assured me, "I can hook up a pneumatic driver and air compressor on the ACME Truck. I'll bring it around it around in a bit with some tarps and Bambi."

I asked, "Why Bambi?"

Gary explained, "I don't think the two of us are going to be able to lift that platform base alone and move the equipment. Besides, Bunny is at a convention this weekend. I'll be back!"

I laughed, "Okay Arnold!" Gary returned about 15-minutes later with the ACME truck and Bambi.

He explained to Bambi, "Okay since Ron wants the changes to be a surprise and still needs to use the dressing area tonight, we are going to hang a tarp across this bulkhead. Set the cinder blocks on this side."

We spent the next half hour getting the trap hung, essentially blocking the landing and dressing area from the rest of the playroom. Between the three of us we did manage to get the base of the caning platform onto the ACME Truck. The seat and spreader portions were a lot easier. Bambi laughed, "Geez, I thought when we unloaded this thing back in November, we would not have to deal with it

again.”

Again I had to be creative, “I know, Lindsay decided it reminded her too much of Tucson and the mess they left behind there. Plus, from what Gary here is telling me I am getting a decent trade with it.”

We spent the next couple hours moving the equipment around it was almost 3:30 PM when we were done. Gary got on the horn with the Mistress, “Mistress Keewatin? Gary Zinfandel with ACME. Hey I am on my way with my client and sister-in-law. Where exactly are you? 68th and Greenway okay. We should be out that way in about an hour.”

An hour later we met up at Mistress Keewatin place. A lady in her mid 20's answered the door, “Ah Gary you made it!”

Gary introduced us, “Mistress Keewatin this is my sister-in-law Bambi Gris and my client Ron Merlot. How do we want to do this?”

Mistress Keewatin replied, “Might be easier to get the wheel and cage out first so we can make room for the platform.”

I asked, “Do you know exactly, where you want the caning platform? It is not very easy to move; once you set it, you will need to forget it.”

Mistress Keewatin laughed, “Gary, you sure his last name is not Popeil?” She led us to her dungeon, “Okay, it should fit where the cage is now.”

I looked at was amazed, “Gary, you didn't tell me the cage had a padded top.”

Mistress Keewatin explained, “Oh yeah. You can have one victim on top and one inside or even two inside and one on top. It is lighter than it looks, but still secure. Also it is on wheels so easy to move around. The wheel is back here.” She lead us to a wheel which was about 8-feet in diameter, “Gary says you have some big girls, they should still fit on here with no problems.”

Not that I was complaining but I wanted to be clear, “Okay, so this premium cage *and* the wheel for the caning platform?”

Mistress Keewatin confirmed, “Yes. I need the space so the wheel is a bonus and I have been looking for one of those caning platforms for quite some time now.”

The four of us brought out the cage and wheel. Mistress Keewatin went back into the house and returned with a heavy-duty cart. Between the four of us we were able to get the base of the canning platform out of the ACME Truck. Gary and I wheeled it to the dungeon and got it in place. Mistress Keewatin and Bambi worked on breaking down the wheel into four-foot sections and getting those

loaded into the ACME Truck. Mistress Keewatin took the spreader and seat for the caning platform into her dungeon. Bambi, Gary and I were able to get the cage lifted up on to the truck. While Bambi went about covering everything in the ACME Truck, Gary and I went to help Mistress Keewatin get the caning platform assembled.

Bambi walked in, "Okay, everything is secured and covered. How are we doing in here?"

Gary explained, "Almost done getting this thing put back together." Bambi was about to head back to the truck when Gary asked, "If you don't mind, I could use you to give Mistress Keewatin a demonstration." I noticed Bambi getting really uncomfortable and Gary added, "Just how the restraints work. You can stay dressed and we are not going to cane you."

Bambi confirmed, "You are not going to cane me, just strap me down?"

Gary laughed, "Yes. Is there a problem?"

Bambi replied shyly, "No."

After Gary had finished assembling the caning platform he demonstrated how the restraints work, "The victim will kneel on the seat and lean forward. There is one strap which secures their legs and then there is set of straps for the wrists and forearms." He finished strapping Bambi to the platform, "So, once they are secured, their behind is perfectly accessible for caning." Gary was only joking when he asked Mistress Keewatin, "Got a cane?"

Bambi yelled out, "GARY! You promised!"

Gary laughed, "Just kidding. Geez you used to love being caned." He released Bambi who did not make any comments towards Gary's observation.

I looked at my phone and saw it was about 20 until 6:00 PM and told Gary, "We should get going and meet everyone else up at Juan Jaime's." We arrived at Juan Jaime's a little after 6:00 PM and saw the Pink Monster in the parking lot. We joined everyone out on the patio. After dinner we arrived back at the house a little before 8:00 PM. I asked Gary and Bambi, "Can you all come back in a couple hours I need to get things setup?"

Gary replied, "Sure."

Chapter 9: Play Time!

Upon returning to my office, I announced over the intercom, "You have an hour to get freshened up and decide what you want to wear. Once you have made your

wardrobe selections, please take those down to the playroom dressing rooms then come up to the library."

I made my way to the playroom and was a little surprised by the tarp along the wall when I came down the stairs. I headed over the storage area and grabbed three sets of bed restraints, gags, blindfolds and a toy bag. I dropped the first set off in Wynn's suite and she went to work getting her bed setup. I told her, "Once you are done come to my office."

Back in my office I found my playing cards. I pulled out two Jokers, Queens and Kings. I also found some yellow envelopes I would use for the subs, while the dommes would be issued a white envelope with the cuff key and their sub's belt key. I emptied the mason jar on to my desk and noticed six keys, "Odd."

Wynn walked in, "What's odd?"

I explained, "There are six belt keys here."

Wynn joked, "Actually that's even."

I gave her a dirty look and explained, "But as far as I know only five people are belted." I reviewed the cable tags, "Let's see...Andy, Lindsay, Maya, Peaches, Sara and Wynn. Okay..."

Wynn asked, "I didn't know Peaches was belted?"

While I did not know for sure that would explain why there were six keys, "Didn't think so either. May be Maya got her a demo model from Gary. Okay then, let me get this setup real quick."

Maya came into my office, "Peaches will be here shortly, she is putting her outfit down in the playroom."

I told her, "Okay then, I'll be back. Wynn, let me know when the McGrawl's are over here." I headed into the Queen Suite and set the toy bag on the chair. Then headed over to the bed to get it ready for the evening.

I was finishing up when Wynn announced, "McGrawl's are in here now."

I went to the other end of the house to the King Suite and repeated the process. A few minutes later I was back in the library and announced, "Okay, everything is set, we are ready to start. Wynn, Sara and Lindsay come to the office please." The three girls followed me into the office and I closed the doors behind me. I explained, "Since you all have done this before you know the rules. You three are subs tonight. This yellow envelope has your dommes' belt key. As before you can leave the envelope out in plain site or hide it somewhere on yourself or in the

suite. We will be using suites tonight, so no one has to use the hall baths. Stay in your assigned room until morning. I will do a wake up call. Okay, you have 15-minutes to get down into the playroom and changed then go up to your assigned rooms. I will make an announcement when the dommes will be heading down. Sara you will be in the King Suite, Lindsay in the Queen Suite and Wynn in your suite. Alright, get changed and have fun."

During the interim between when the dommes and subs were getting ready I was able to get the Budget Holstein's database moved over to the new server. I started the file transfer process which estimates put at about 3-hours. I headed back to the library with the white envelopes and announced, "Okay. Now I know Peaches has not played before so let me explain. In the Queen, King and Maid's suite the sub is restrained to the bed. Somewhere in the suite or on them is a yellow envelope which has your belt key. Now, each of you will be given a white envelope which contains a key to the cuffs as well your sub's belt key. Keep in mind, neither of you are under any obligation to give each other your keys. Also, once you are in the suite you will stay there until morning when I do the wake up call. When we are done here I'll give you your envelope and you can head down to the playroom to change. Have fun, but please be safe and respect your sub's limits. Questions?"

Peaches asked, "What I to do?"

I told her, "Whatever you want with your sub. You two can go all at it, give her a massage, talk, watch TV or whatever. It gives you a chance to spend time with someone different and may be discover something new and exciting."

Peaches seemed apprehensive, "Okay..."

No one else had questions so I handed out the envelopes, "Maya, you will be in the Maid's suite. Andy in the King Suite and Peaches in the Queen suite."

The three headed out to the playroom to change. I got on the horn with Gary and Bambi, "When you two are ready, we can pickup where we left off." I announced over the intercom, "The dommes are getting ready! Have fun tonight."

Andy was wearing his CBT-7500 under a pair of black shorts which he had paired with a leather vest. He walked in to the King Suite to find Sara in her Black Widow corset along with a pair of crotchless fishnet pantyhose. She was back in her normal belt as well. Andy laughed, "Oh great Ron!" Andy looked about for the yellow envelope but didn't see it. He figure he could likely 'persuade' Sara to give up the location. He walked over and ran his hand down between her legs. Sara jumped at the touch and was starting to get excited. He pulled Sara's left tit out the corset and started pinching her nipple. He noticed the toy bag on the chair and took a look inside. He found just what he was looking for, a set of tweezers nipple clamps. He returned to Sara and removed her right tit from the corset. He

attached the clamps, something Sara was certainly not expecting as she let out a groan of pain. Andy removed Sara's gag and pulled harder on the clamps, "Okay, I know you have a high threshold for pain, but you can make this easy on yourself and tell me where the envelope is."

Sara laughed, "I don't know if that is such a good idea. What would Lindsay think?"

Andy smiled, "I am sure Lindsay is fine with this, even if she is a sub tonight." He pulled again on the chain connected to the clamps, "Gonna tell me?"

Sara gave in, "While I could take more, I don't want you hurting me. The envelope is on the back waistband of my belt."

Andy let go of the chains, "Thank you very much!" He reached behind Sara and found the envelope and also pinched Sara's ass.

Sara let out a yelp, "Hey! I'm bigger than you!"

Andy laughed, "Yea so? What you going to do about it? You can't exactly do much in this state now can you?" He opened the envelope and inserted the key into his device.

Sara was looking at his device and asked, "That doesn't look like a CB-6000."

Andy explained, "No. Sometimes I wish I was still wearing a CB-6000. I have no idea where Lindsay found this CBT-7500 but it is literally escape proof and quite punishing. The extra-long urethra tube makes pullout impossible and the barrel is so dang narrow I barely have to get hard when it starts hurting." He managed to free his cock of the tube and barrel, "Ah, much better." He climbed up on the bed and placed his cock in her mouth, "You know what to do." Sara started sucking Andy's cock, but wasn't doing a good enough job. Andy grabbed the chain and yanked pulling the clamps, "Come on, you know you can do better." Sara picked up the pace and brought Andy to orgasm shortly. Andy pulled his cock out of Sara's mouth. He released Sara's wrists and then opened the yellow envelope. He removed Sara's belt key and proceeded to remove her belt.

Sara asked, "You going to fuck my pussy now?"

Andy replied, "No, move to the center of the bed and turn around. I'll eat your pussy." Over the next half hour Andy alternated rubbing Sara's tits and clit while eating her pussy. Sara tried to take matters into her own hands by attempting to mount Andy who objected, "NO SARA!"

Sara backed off and asked, "Why not, I want you to fuck me!"

Andy calmly told her, "Sorry, but no." He then placed the CBT-7500 back on his cock. He turned to Sara, "Out of respect for Lindsay okay. Rollover and I'll give you a massage."

Sara rolled over, a bit disappointed but she understood that things were still a little unstable with the three of them. Sara eventually fell asleep from the deep massage. Andy went ahead and settled in for the night on a nearby sofa.

Meanwhile Peaches had changed into a black leather Domme's dress and headed up to the Queen Suite. She found Lindsay in her 'angel' outfit; white corset, stockings, Capri pants and sandals. Peaches stood there looking at Lindsay with the light highlighting her blonde hair, "You beautiful. So delicate. I don't know what do." Lindsay was trying to say something but being gagged it was a bit difficult.

Peaches walked over and removed the gag from Lindsay who replied, "Thank you. I take it you never been a domme before?"

Peaches admitted, "Yes. No. I've dommed Maya, but not this way."

Lindsay asked, "I am assuming you know your way around a girl?"

Peaches blushed and replied, "Yes ma'am."

Lindsay told her, "It's Lindsay, don't call me ma'am. Okay?"

Peaches backed away for a bit and knelt, "Yes Lindsay."

She stayed on her knees for a bit and Lindsay asked, "You okay? Your about as nervous as a Chihuahua."

Peaches got up and apologized, "Sorry ma'am...Lindsay. This is weird. May I let you out?"

Lindsay told her, "Um sure....in that white envelope you have you will find the keys to the cuffs." Peaches opened the envelope and removed the cuff keys and handed them to Lindsay who told her, "This would be a lot easier if *you* undid the cuffs."

Once again Peaches apologized, "Sorry ma'am...Lindsay. Let me."

She undid Lindsay's cuffs and then release the rest of the restraints. Lindsay was not sure what to do next, she wanted Peaches to enjoy herself, "Hey come up on the bed with me."

Peaches backed away, "Not good idea." She headed into the bathroom.

Lindsay was rather puzzled, she wonder what Maya had told Peaches about her. She got up and headed over to the bathroom door and knocked, "Peaches you okay?" Peaches opened the door in tears. Lindsay grabbed Peaches arm and brought her into the sitting room, "What's the matter? I didn't mean to snap at you."

Peaches looked at Lindsay, she still couldn't get over how beautiful she was, "You so pretty."

It was Lindsay's turn to blush, "Thank you. What's bothering you?"

Peaches explained, "Maya only girl I do. May be Wynn now and then. This not feel right."

Lindsay explained, "We do these play nights all the time. Usually when Ron is working on some top secret project or as a way to tire us all out. This is perfectly acceptable. Both Andy and Maya are dommes tonight as well, so they are having fun with their subs. Can't we have fun? Please?"

Peaches was still uncertain, she did not want to be disrespectful to Maya, "You sure okay?"

Lindsay smiled, "Trust me, we're going to be fine." She leaned over and tried to kiss Peaches.

Peaches backed away and pushed Lindsay off the couch, "No! No! No! Please don't!"

Lindsay was getting frustrated but, she knew this was all new to Peaches and she wanted to honor Maya. Lindsay got up and looked around the room. She found Maya's collection of girl DVDs sitting on the shelf. Lindsay walked over to the shelf and looked through the selection, she found a lesbian school girls movie that looked interesting. She asked, "Hey Peaches, how about we watch this movie together?" Peaches was reluctant but came over to the bed with Lindsay, but almost on the edge, "Oh come on, I am no going to bite or hurt you." Peaches moved a little closer, but still kept her distance from Lindsay. Lindsay mumbled, "Not how I thought this night would go."

Peaches was flustered, "Sorry. I don't like this. Seems wrong. Maya will be mad. This belt uncomfortable. I don't know what do. Sorry ma'am."

Lindsay pulled the yellow envelope from out of her corset. She had not even thought Peaches would be belted. She opened the envelope and sure enough there was a belt key with Peaches' name attached. Lindsay leaned over and grabbed Peaches arm, "It's Lindsay dear. Now, let me get your belt off. That is if it

is okay with you?"

Peaches was uncertain, "But what about Maya?"

Lindsay was trying to keep herself calm, "Do you see Maya here now? It is just you and me tonight. Consider it a present, a vacation whatever. Come on Peaches, let's enjoy this time together."

Peaches in tears, "Okay. You can take belt off."

Lindsay told her, "In a minute, let me put this movie on." Lindsay walked over and turned on the Plasma and DVD player. Lindsay advanced past the previews and got to the main movie as she headed back to remove Peaches' belt. She lifted the skirt of Peaches dress and inserted the key into the belt. She then noticed why Peaches was so uncomfortable, "Geez, is Maya trying to torture you!" She removed the front and rear shields pulling out the attached plugs. Peaches wasn't really paying attention to Lindsay anymore and was getting into the movie. Lindsay saw the white envelope on the side table and removed her belt key. Lindsay walked over to Peaches and handed her the key, "I removed yours, will you remove mine?"

Lindsay removed her Capri pants as Peaches reluctantly took Lindsay's key and removed the belt. Peaches looked at Lindsay body, almost tempted to lick Lindsay's pussy and clit but instead set the belt on the table then returned to the bed. Lindsay was really hoping having both of them out of their belts and the movie would help relax Peaches. Both of them were on the bed but Peaches kept as far as from Lindsay as physically possible. Lindsay was glad to be out of the belt, but still she really wanted to have Peaches do her and for that matter do Peaches.

Midway through the movie Lindsay noticed Peaches was rubbing her pussy. Lindsay moved over to 'help' Peaches, but this only spooked Peaches who pushed Lindsay off the bed, "Please no touch me!"

Lindsay was very close to yelling at Peaches in frustration but she knew that would not do any good and would only make matters worse. As she picked herself up off the floor, she asked, "Okay, then what do you want me to do."

Peaches told her, "Put belts back on."

Lindsay was not expecting that answer and commented, "But you say your belt is uncomfortable."

Peaches nodded, "Yes. But so is this."

Lindsay told her, "Okay. Wait, how about I remove the plugs from your belt?"

Peaches told her, "No. Maya be mad."

Try as she may, Lindsay could not convince Peaches that Maya would be fine with this. Lindsay sighed and handed Peaches her belt, plugs and all. Peaches gave Lindsay hers and announced, "I'll sleep on sofa." She went into the sitting room with the envelope containing the key to Lindsay's belt. Lindsay turned off the TV along with the bedside light and tried to go to sleep. As she laid there she wondered if Maya had brainwashed Peaches into not touching another girl, although she recalled the other night back at The Holstein Ranch when she had tried to kiss Maya. May be they were just extremely loyal to each other. Lindsay started worrying that may be her and Andy had out lasted their welcome thanks to her. She eventually feel asleep, alone.

Gary came back over with Bambi and within in a couple hours we had the new equipment unloaded and in place. Gary and Bambi then took the tarp down. I walked out with them, "Thanks for your help tonight. I am sure the McGrawl's will be glad to have the caning platform gone, especially when they see what we go in exchange!"

Gary laughed, "Yeah, that cage is worth at least two caning platforms! Well, good night Ron."

I headed back in to the garage, closing the exterior door and then the partition. I looked around the playroom and was amazed at all the stuff I had thanks to Gary. Seems like anytime he had something to give me, it came with a 'free gift'. I headed up to my office and noticed the file transfer was wrapping up.

Meanwhile Maya walked in to the Maid's Suite wearing a red dommes dress. She knew she would find Wynn, however she was surprised to see Wynn in her armor and a long dress. She noticed Wynn had not cuffed her wrists but had done the rest of the restraints. Her arm was still in the sling. As Maya walked towards the bed looking for a yellow envelope she noticed the cast on Wynn's leg, "Damn you Lindsay!"

Wynn was a bit startled and muttered something. Maya walked over and removed the gag and Wynn asked, "Why such hostility towards Lindsay?"

Maya sat on the edge of the bed and looked at Wynn, "I don't know.' She pointed to Wynn's leg, "I keep feeling like this is her fault."

Wynn undid the restraints, sat up and explained, "May be. But it was just an accident. I was in the wrong place, at the wrong time. I don't blame her for what happened. I wish you two wouldn't be so mad at each other."

Maya hung her head, "I know. I am trying to let it be, but I have having a hard

time. Lindsay seems scared to death of me now. She barley talks to me and keeps her distance. The last conversation we had was the other night when Peaches became my key holder. I don't know. The whole mess with my father had me on edge and then to see you and hear that Lindsay caused this was too much." Wynn tried to kiss Maya to make her feel better. But Maya backed away and told her, "No."

Wynn respected Maya's command and asked, "So, what do you want to do tonight?"

Maya replied, "Can we just talk and not about your injuries or Lindsay?"

Wynn laughed, "Okay, suppose we can do that."

The two of the chatted for the next couple hours about various things. Maya had managed to put Wynn to sleep. She headed into the Wynn's retreat and stretched out on the over-sized sofa.

Chapter 10: What Happened Last Night? And Redo from Start?

The next morning, I woke up around 7:00 AM. I figured it was still early and nobody would be up yet. I was going to head down to my office to make sure everything was working on The Budget Holstein site. I headed down to kitchen to get a pot of coffee going and much to my surprise everyone was already down there. Peaches and Wynn were finishing up the Eggs Benedict. I commented, "Odd, I don't recall making an announcement earlier."

Wynn looked up, "Sorry Ron."

I asked, "So everyone have fun last night?" The room was silent.

Sara replied, "Not really."

Lindsay added, "No."

I looked at Maya who told me, "I rather not talk about it."

I was dumbfounded, "What? What happened last night? I've never had one of these play nights turn out this way."

Sara told me, "Andy wouldn't fuck me. He let me give him a blowjob and went down on me, but when I tried to mount him he objected and put his chastity device back on. Says he did out of respect for Lindsay."

Lindsay commented, "Well, I didn't get to do anything. Peaches wouldn't let me touch her and I could not get her to even touch me. She didn't want to upset

Maya. She turned to Maya and added, "As if you are her fricking keeper!...", Lindsay proceeded to cuss Maya in Mandarin.

The room fell silent and I looked at Lindsay and asked, "Did you just cuss out Maya in Mandarin?"

Lindsay hung her head in shame. Maya laughed, "How the heck do you know Mandarin?"

Andy explained, "She picked it up and along with some other bad habits while working at the lounge. A lot of our clients were from China."

I sat down lost for words, "I...I don't get it? You all were suppose to have fun last night. When we do these play nights there are no rules, other than don't leave the room until it is over and don't hurt each other. I paired each of you up for a reason, to have fun with someone else. May be this wasn't such a good idea."

Andy replied, "Like putting me and Sara together? What were you thinking?"

I told him, "I was hoping it would break the tension between you two and you could have some fun together." I turned to Lindsay, "Did you tell him, it was not okay to fuck Sara?"

Lindsay looked at me and replied, "No. I would be fine and this was part of the play night." She turned to Maya, "Don't take this the wrong way or personally, but what the fucking hell did you tell Peaches about me?"

Maya was confused, "I don't know what you mean Lindsay...I have never really said anything about you."

Lindsay was very frustrated, "I don't get it. I tried to have fun last night with Peaches. But every time I tried to do something she backed away and she was panicked saying that 'Maya would be upset'."

Wynn commented, "Sort like Maya was when I tried to kiss her last night."

May be I hadn't made myself clear earlier so I asked, "What part of 'no rules' and 'have fun' did y'all not understand? We all know that it is play party and we should know that our spouses or partners understand this as well. There should be no worrying about upsetting your playmates spouse or partner."

Maya asked, "Peaches, why didn't you do anything with Lindsay last night? She could've taught you a lot."

Peaches looked ashamed, "I not want offend you."

Maya laughed, "Offend me? No, you would not. Okay, maybe you are taking things a bit too seriously. Of course I have not been the best example come lately. I still have resentment towards Lindsay for what happened to Wynn."

Before Lindsay had a chance to say anything, Wynn commented, "I have told you, I don't blame her. I was in the wrong place at the wrong time and what happened, happened. Move on Maya!"

Maya admitted, "I so want to, but I can't. I so wish I hadn't acted the way I did on Easter Sunday."

Lindsay finally got a word in and asked, "Is Andy and I staying here long term an issue?"

The room was silent again, however the silence was quickly broken by a timer going off.

Wynn shut off the timer and attended to getting breakfast served. Peaches went to the cabinet to remove some plates and Maya headed over with Peaches, "Here let me help you with that."

Lindsay looked at me and demanded, "Well?"

I tried to break the tension by joking, "Deep subject!"

Lindsay was not amused, "Dang it Ron, I am being serious here. Are we in the way? Do you want us out? Just say the word..." She started ranting in Mandarin again.

Andy grabbed Lindsay's arm to get her attention, "Hey! Back off Lindsay!"

I sat down and was trying to think how to respond to Lindsay's accusation without creating an international incident, "No, Lindsay. You and Andy are not in the way. This house is big enough for the seven of us. I just wish y'all wouldn't be at each others throats though. Wynn is right, we need to 'move on' which again is why I wanted to have the play night last night and why I choose the partners."

Maya came over to the table and calmly asked Lindsay, "What happened last night?"

Lindsay answered nervously, "Nothing, as in nothing. Every time I tried to do anything with Peaches she backed away and kept saying she didn't want to upset you."

Maya called out to Peaches, "Peaches come over here please." Once Peaches was at the table she asked, "So Lindsay tells me you would not let her touch you? You

were afraid you would upset me?"

Peaches replied, "Yes Mistress."

Maya scolded Peaches, "I am not your Mistress."

Peaches corrected herself, "Sorry ma'am."

Maya reminded her, "You are allowed to call us by our first names. I would have thought you knew we all 'play' together here. I am sorry that you think you needed to be 'loyal' to me. You and Lindsay could have had so much fun last night together." Maya sighed and continued, "Like me and Wynn..."

Wynn came over and started setting breakfast, "I think we will feel better after we eat."

Breakfast was rather quiet, too quiet. Finally Peaches asked, "Could we redo from start?"

Lindsay asked, "Redo from start?"

Andy laughed and gave us a brief history lesson in programming, "It is an old unhelpful error message from Basic programming, caused when the program is expecting a number and the user types a letter. But that's not important right now."

I recalled, "Wow, I remember that from many, many years ago. I think what Peaches means is can we redo last night from the start of the play night?"

Peaches smiled, "See, Ron understands me."

Maya joked, "Scary!"

I asked, "Well, what do y'all think about a 'replay' tonight? I'll keep everyone the same, that is if it is okay for Andy and Sara to be together."

Lindsay confirmed, "I have no problems with Sara and Andy being together tonight as long as Maya doesn't mind me and Peaches."

Maya replied, "I never told Peaches neither today or prior that she couldn't have 'fun' with Lindsay or anyone else within the Merlot Household. So, therefore I do not have an issue with said request. It seems it was Peaches who had the issue, but being as that she is the one making said proposal, that issue is now null."

We all looked at Maya and Lindsay commented, "Practicing to be a lawyer?"

Andy added, "Or politician..."

I added, "Or worse, both. Okay then....per Peaches request, we will *Redo from Start* tonight. A bit earlier though since tomorrow is a work day."

Lindsay asked, "Do you have any more AMC passes? I think it would do us good to get out again today."

I told her, "I don't think so. But I am pretty sure I have some Harkins passes though. I'll have to go look after breakfast." The mood seemed to lighten after breakfast. I headed into my office and forgot about the passes as I was checking the Budget Holstein site when Lindsay walked in.

She knocked on the door, "Ron? About those passes..."

I looked up surprised, "Oh yea, sorry got distracted with The Budget Holstein site move." I got up and headed over to my wall safe and pulled out a stack of about a dozen Harkins passes, "Oh yea, plenty here. Okay here are six, y'all enjoy yourselves."

Lindsay asked, "What are you going to do?"

I told her, "Besides finish up moving the Budget Holstein's site, not sure. Might call over to Gary and Bambi, take them to lunch as a thank you for their help yesterday."

Lindsay left to find the rest of her entourage. Meanwhile everything looked good on The Budget Holstein site. I called Linda and left a message, "Morning Linda, Ron. Everything looks good for the site move. I am going to pull the switch and start directing everyone over to the new site. Should happen within a few hours within the states and about a day or so worldwide. Call me if there are any issues."

I walked over to the Zinfandel's house and rang the bell. Bambi answered, "Morning Ron."

I asked, "Hey, you two anything for lunch?"

Gary walked in, "Not yet we are going to be head out and meet Bunny tonight. What do ya have in mind?"

I explained, "As a thanks for your help yesterday, how about I treat you two to lunch over at Sacred Ground?"

Both Bambi and Gary were fine with this. Gary asked, "So, how did the unveiling of the new toys go?"

I told him, "It didn't. The play night didn't work out well. Apparently, there were some issues with the fact I had set them up with partners not of their own. I think I cleared things up this morning and we will try again tonight. So may be tomorrow evening when everyone gets home from work. Add anything new to yours?"

Bambi smiled, "Why don't we show him the hogtie trainer?"

Gary laughed, "You can get enough of that can you?"

Bambi giggled, "Nope, it helps me *relax*, I'll be back."

I asked Gary, "Hogtie trainer?"

Gary laughed, "Just as it sounds. Had a vendor who builds custom bondage toys give it to me as a demo. Come on over to the playroom and Bambi will show you." Gary led me to the playroom and in the corner was the hogtie trainer. The toy was a couple feet tall and about four feet long. It consisted of six loops, two closed for the forearms and four open for ankles and wrists along with a half collar. However, attached to a vertical post on the base was a six- inch dildo. Gary explained, "While Bambi is getting ready, let me get this setup." He removed an Allen Wrench and removed the bolts holding one half of the wrist restraints and then each ankle restraint. He also placed a fresh condom on the dildo. He then walked over to a nearby table and picked up a couple feet of small black rope.

Bambi walked in wearing a black floral open crotch body-stocking. She laid down on her stomach on the floor and slowly back her way into the dildo. Gary helped get the dildo lined up as Bambi impaled herself on the full length of the dildo. She then placed her arms behind her back through the closed loops and rested her wrists on the open loop. Gary then grabbed the rope and tied one end around Bambi's ponytail and the other end he wrapped around a post near the arm loops, thus securing Bambi's neck against the half neck loop. He placed the top half of the wrist restrains over Bambi's wrists and secure the hex bolts. Bambi then curled her legs up behind her back so her ankles would rest within the other open loops. Gary took the top half of the ankle restraints and secure it in place as well. Bambi was now hogtied via the steel device with a dildo impaled deep in her pussy.

I looked at Bambi and commented to Gary, "Wow, would love to have one of those. Next time one of the girls misbehaves they will get a 'time out' on that thing!"

Gary laughed as he walked back over the table, "I am sure I can get him to make another one for you or more if you like."

Bambi joked, "You need one for Bunny as well. So we can both be 'tied' at the same time."

Gary replied, "Bunny would have me castrated if I tired that with her!"

Bambi giggled, "Well, you wouldn't have to worry about getting her pregnant then. Besides, I think she would be more receptive if she saw how much I enjoy it."

Gary laughed, "You do seem to enjoy it. We'll leave her for a bit and go to my office."

Back in Gary's office he asked, "So, how's Wynn and Lindsay doing?"

I explained, "Wynn is getting better, she still has a couple more weeks in the leg cast and about another week with the sling on her arm. Lindsay seems to have physically recovered from the incident. However, she is still very uncomfortable around Maya."

Gary was confused, "Why would Lindsay be uncomfortable around Maya?"

I decided it would be best to tell him what happened, "Okay, that day we came back from Tucson with Maya and Peaches, Lindsay laid down for a nap. She had a very vivid and startling dream. Seems that Andy and Sara wanted Lindsay punished for what had happened the other night. The punishment was to have her caned, however neither Andy nor Sara could bring themselves to do it. They wanted Maya to cane her, which in her dream ended very badly."

Gary understood now, "So, that is the reason you wanted to get rid of the caning platform?"

I replied, "Yes. Now, Maya still has some indirect hostility towards Lindsay according to Wynn. Wynn has told Maya it was an accident and to move on. So, I am not sure what I am going to do. Last night I had put Andy and Sara together, which didn't go as planned. Andy wouldn't fuck Sara out of respect for Lindsay. Lindsay didn't have a very good time with Peaches as she was terrified of offending Maya, therefore not allowing Lindsay to touch her. Maya and Wynn just chatted, although I think that was more because Wynn is really not up to playing at this point. So, we are going to try again tonight as Peaches suggested we should."

Gary had an idea, "Say, may be things would be a little better if instead of couples you had threesomes. Have Maya and Lindsay as subs being dommed by Peaches. Then Sara and Wynn as subs being dommed by Andy. At least that way Maya can 'chaperon' Peaches."

I thought for a moment, "Okay, that could work. I'll have to move Sara and Andy down to the maid's suite. Oh yea, I could see having Maya and Lindsay restrained together in the Queen Suite. Good idea, you are not as useless as I thought."

Gary laughed, "I resemble that comment. I suppose we should release Bambi and head to lunch?" We headed back to the playroom. Gary untied Bambi's ponytail then removed the ankle and wrist restraints. Bambi crawled forward removing herself from the dildo and getting her arms freed. Gary informed her, "We will be going to lunch soon."

She got up, stretched and then told us, "Okay let me get dressed and I'll meet you down in the garage."

We headed down to the garage and I was surprised to see a red Henderson Fire Department Ford Bronco. I asked, "Another surplus auction buy?"

Gary explained, "Yea, bought it the same time as I got the ACME Truck. Hardly use it as we usually just take our bikes. Some day I am going to get it repainted like The ACME Truck."

Bambi came down into garage still wearing the body stocking but on pair of shortalls and black pumps, "I take it we are going to take the Bronco?"

Gary joked, "If I can get it started."

I asked, "If?"

Bambi assured me, "Don't pay attention to him, he just took it out the other night." The three of us had lunch at Scared Ground and returned a little before 3:00 PM. We chatted for a bit more, Gary told me he should be able to get me a hogtie trainer or two for my playroom.

I headed back to the house and walked in the front door. I was going to head to my office but heard voices in the kitchen. I walked in to find Wynn and Peaches discussing dinner. Peaches saw me, "Ron you decide. Fish or Chicken?"

I asked, "Could you be a little bit more specific?"

Wynn explained, "Do we want grilled fish or chicken?"

I joked, "I didn't know *I* wanted to grill tonight?"

Peaches replied, "I grill."

I asked, "Why not both? That way y'all don't need to make a trip to the market."

Wynn laughed, "Well, I still need to go the market anyway. Big storm moving in tonight so, I am going to stock up. When did you want to have dinner?"

Seeing as I wanted to get an earlier start to tonight's play night, I suggested, "Say around 5:00 PM. That way we should be able to start around 7:00 PM with the play night. I assume the McGrawl's and Maya are around as well?" Wynn nodded yes. "Okay, then house meeting shortly." I headed into my office and got on the intercom, "House meeting now in library, bring your keys."

As I did the night before I got out the mason jar, but this time I didn't have to tag the keys as I made sure everyone left the tags on their keys. One by one everyone came in and deposited their keys into the jar. After everyone was seated I explained the new plan, "Okay, a change in plans for tonight. It was Gary who recommended this arrangement. Instead of couples we are going to do threesomes. Sara and Wynn will be dommed by Andy in the maid suite. Maya and Lindsay you will be dommed by Peaches in the Queen Suite with the lead pipe."

Wasn't sure if anyone was going to notice my *Clue* reference until Peaches asked, "What lead pipe?"

Andy got it, "I totally missed that. He is referencing to an old board game, *Clue*. You had to figure out who the killer was, where they did it and what murder weapon they used. When you have solved the murder you told everyone, who did it, where they did it and how they did it. Clever Ron!"

Lindsay asked, "Why threesomes?"

I explained, "In the case of you and Peaches, having Maya there to chaperon should make things a little easier on Peaches. Wynn will chaperon Andy and Sara, since Wynn isn't much into playing right now. Plus it is one less bed I have to setup, although I will have to reconfigure the other two beds. Plus put two sub's belt keys in the envelope. However, I still going to have each sub have a yellow envelope, one will contain a belt key, the other something else. Anyway, we are going to be having chicken and/or fish for dinner."

Maya asked, "And/or?"

Lindsay explained, "I am sure Andy will have both."

Maya added, "Likely Peaches and I will too."

I closed out the meeting, "So dinner is going to be around 5:00 PM and the play night will start around 7:00 PM tonight."

Chapter 11: That's More Like It and In The Dark

Wynn and Peaches headed to the market while everyone else relaxed and got prepped for tonight's play night. After dinner everyone got ready and headed down to the playroom to change. In the Queen and Maid suites I reconfigured the restraints for two people. I headed down to the playroom with the envelopes. After gathering Lindsay, Maya, Sara and Wynn, I handed the Queen yellow envelopes to Lindsay and Maya and explained, "The restraint system is the same but there is one on each side of the bed. I want you to talk to each other and 'coach' Peaches. Sara and Wynn, I had to adapt the restraints for Wynn so I substituted out the quick release with the asylum style magnetic restraints. The key for the asylum system will be in Andy's white envelope along with the keys to Sara's cuffs. Okay, you have 30-minutes to head up and get ready. I need to explain things a little further to the dommes."

The four of them headed to their assigned rooms. Wynn and Sara walked in to the Maid's suite and saw on the left side of the bed was the asylum restraint system. Sara commented, "Oh, I remember these, Bambi used them on Maya and I awhile back. Since I can get into my own, I'll get you strapped down. But first, we need to decide where we are putting our envelopes." Wynn put on the blindfold, then carefully laid down on the bed. Sara noticed how I had configured the asylum system, "Okay, I see he has the straps going above your elbows, makes sense." She had Wynn restrained and then got up on the bed attaching the quick-release restraints to her ankles and waist. She put on her blindfold, then reached up and cuffed her wrists.

Lindsay and Maya headed up to the Queen Suite. Lindsay was very quiet and stayed a couple steps behind Maya. Maya asked, "Do you have a preference on which side of the bed you want?"

Lindsay replied, "Does not matter to me."

Maya told her, "Okay then, I'll take the right-side." the two girls took care of their envelopes and got up on the bed and attached the restraints to their ankles and waists. They both put on their blindfolds and then cuffed their wrists. They laid next to each other silent until Maya finally spoke, "Lindsay?"

Lindsay answered, "Yes Maya?"

Maya asked, "You know that night back in Tucson how when you tried to kiss me, I backed away?"

Lindsay knew that night well and replied nervously, "Yes, yes I do..."

Maya hesitated a bit, "...um well...if it is not too much to ask...I would like to have that kiss now. Please?" Lindsay and Maya moved their heads towards each other and managed to touch each others lips. Lindsay gave Maya a light peck and then a more deeper kiss. As Maya kissed Lindsay back, Lindsay suddenly felt a

sense of relief as pleasure flooded over her. They parted lips and Maya commented, "Thank you Lindsay. I'm really sorry about the way I've been treating you lately. Wynn is right, I need to move on."

Lindsay sighed, "Your welcome. I sure hope tonight goes better than last night."

Maya assured her, "I know it will. I understand why Ron set it up this way. With me here Peaches won't have to worry about upsetting me."

Meanwhile down in the playroom Andy and Peaches came out the dressing rooms. I handed Andy his envelope and explained, "There is a special key in there for Wynn's restraints as I used the asylum system on her. Sara will have her hands cuffed above her head and you will find that key along with their belt keys in this envelope. Now, beware of Wynn's leg and arm. Go have fun and respect their limits, which I know you will. Also, don't leave the suite until the morning announcement."

I turned my attention to Peaches who actually appeared to be excited this time around. I handed her the envelope and explained, "Both Lindsay and Maya will have their wrists cuffed above their heads. The same keys will work on both cuffs. Both their belt keys are in here as well. They each have a yellow envelope one has your belt key the other something else. Now, you okay with this tonight?"

Peaches replied, "Maya will be there. I feel better."

I could tell Peaches was feeling better about tonight, "Okay, same rules, don't leave the suite until the morning announcement, respect Maya and especially Lindsay's limits. Please be careful with Lindsay and most importantly, have fun!"

Peaches smiled and took the envelope, "I will. Do you have feather?"

I asked, "Feather?"

Peaches replied, "Yes, Peacock feather?"

I understood now, "Hmm...I know Wynn keeps one in her suite but I think there are some more in the toy chest. Come, let's look." Peaches and I headed to the far corner of the garage into the toy chest and sure enough I found the feathers, "Do you just want one or two?"

Peaches giggled, "Two girls, two feathers!"

I laughed, "Oh lordy those two are going to be in for a surprise." I handed her the feathers, "Here ya go, have fun!"

Peaches took the feathers and made her way up the two sets of stairs then into the Queen Suite. There on the bed were Maya and Lindsay strapped down and blindfolded. Lindsay was in her same Angel outfit from the night before while Maya was wearing black pantyhose with a red top and shorts with black sandals. Peaches walked over and removed Lindsay's shoes. Lindsay was wondering why her shoes were being removed and she soon found out when Peaches started tickling the bottom of her hosed feet with the Peacock feather. Lindsay let out a high-pitched yelp and jumped. Maya asked, "You okay over there?"

Lindsay could not stop giggling, "I'm okay...". Peaches then took the other feather and ran it along the inside of Maya's pantyhosed thighs. She was still 'attacking' Lindsay at the same time. Lindsay was pleading, "Stop! Please! I'm going to pee!..." She started off in Mandarin again.

Maya though being tortured at the same time heard Lindsay's warning, "Peaches listen to her or I'll see to it you clean up her mess."

Peaches put down the feathers and replied, "Yes Mistress."

Maya told her, "No, it is Maya not Mistress. Besides you are the domme, so technically Lindsay and I should be calling you Mistress."

Peaches leaned over and removed Maya's blindfold and then kissed her. She then pulled out the white envelope and removed the cuff key. Peaches reached up and undid the cuffs and told Maya, "Release yourself slave!"

Maya laughed and obeyed, "Yes Mistress Peaches!" Peaches stood silent for a moment. Maya asked, "Everything okay?"

Peaches asked, "What you call me?"

Maya told her, "Mistress Peaches?"

Peaches again stood there silent for a moment and announced, "I like...has ring to it. Get up, stand in corner." Maya got up and walked over to the corner facing Peaches not what she was suppose to do, "Face wall!" Peaches removed the cuffs from the noose and cuffed Maya's wrists behind her back. She then walked over and dug into the play bag and found a collar and leash set. She attached the collar to Maya's neck and then the leash to the collar. She pulled on the leash and ordered, "Come." She lead Maya into the sitting room and then frisked her. She was hoping Maya would have the envelope on her and Peaches did find it in Maya's corset, "Ah ha! On your knees!" Maya knelt down and Peaches then told her, "Stay!"

Peaches sat down and tried the key in her belt but it was not the right key, "Why this not work?!"

Maya asked, "May I speak Mistress?"

Peaches giggled, "Yes."

Maya explained, "The other slave has a yellow envelope as well. Your key must be in there. She is not going to tell you without some persuading."

Peaches was intrigued, "Persuading?"

Maya told her, "Yes Mistress. But let her go to bathroom first or else you are going to have bigger things to worry about."

Peaches walked over to Lindsay and removed her cuffs and order her, "Release yourself slave. Then go to bathroom."

Lindsay replied, "Yes."

Peaches was getting quite into her roll and demanded, "Yes what?!"

Lindsay sighed, "Yes Mistress."

Peaches told her, "That's better! Go! Before I change mind."

Lindsay quickly released herself and remove the blindfold before heading to the bathroom. Lindsay quickly relived herself, washed and returned into the room.

She saw Maya on her knees in the sitting room. Peaches saw Lindsay and asked, "Where's the envelope?"

Lindsay figured Peaches wouldn't hurt her, "I am not telling you."

Peaches laughed, "Back on the bed!" Lindsay did as she was told and Peaches walked over and grabbed Lindsay's wrists, placing them back in the cuffs. She then placed a blindfold on Lindsay and attached the rest of the bed restraints. Peaches made her motives clear by grabbing the feathers and tickling both of Lindsay's feet. Lindsay was screaming and giggling. Meanwhile Maya was still on her knees in the sitting room thinking to herself she had just created a monster. Peaches called out, "Big slave over here now!"

Maya laughed, "Big slave?!" She got up and walked in to the main room, "Yes Mistress?"

Peaches handed Maya a cuff key and her belt key then ordered, "Remove your cuffs and belt. Get on top."

Maya removed the cuffs and her belt then climbed on top of the bed and over Lindsay's face. She lowered herself down and whispered to Lindsay, "I'm sorry!" Lindsay knew what she had to do and went to work on Maya's pussy. Peaches resumed tickling Lindsay's feet which was causing Lindsay to squirm. Maya grabbed a hold of the tether to balance herself but she inadvertently pulled too hard on the tether, thus pulling against Lindsay's wrists. Lindsay let out a very loud and painful sounding scream.

Peaches stopped what she was doing and Maya carefully got off of Lindsay. Peaches appeared panicked and asked, "She alright?"

Maya moved over next to Lindsay who was shaking and crying. She told Peaches, "I don't know. Where's the cuff key?"

Peaches undid Lindsay cuffs while Maya removed the rest of the bed restraints and Lindsay's blindfold. Maya helped Lindsay sit up. As she wiped away the tears she asked, "What happened? Did I hurt you?"

Lindsay looked at Maya who had a genuine look of concern and panic on her face. She took a couple deep breaths and rubbed her injured arm, "I'm okay...When you pulled on the cuffs I twisted my arm."

Peaches came over to the other side of Lindsay and got down on her knees and in tears, "Sorry! I used to Maya. You more fragile."

Lindsay assured both of them, "I'm okay. Why don't we just take an easy for now."

Maya concurred, "Good idea. What do you want to do?" The room was quiet, so Maya asked again a little worried, "Lindsay? What do you want to do?"

Lindsay replied, "Sorry thought you were talking to Peaches. How about we get out of these belts and watch a movie?" She removed her Capri pants and then proceeded to remove the yellow envelope from her stocking handing it to Peaches, "I believe you wanted this."

Peaches took the envelope, "Thank you ma'am."

Lindsay smiled, "Your welcome. Call me Lindsay....please."

Peaches replied, "Yes Lindsay." She went over the dresser and picked up the white envelope, removing Lindsay's belt key. She walked over to Lindsay and handed her the key, "Here Lindsay." Lindsay removed her belt as did Peaches.

Maya asked, "Any particular movie?"

Lindsay replied, "I had started *After School Special* last night, but only got through the first few minutes before I spooked Peaches. I think it is still in the DVD Player"

Maya asked, "Spooked?"

Lindsay explained, "She was getting into the movie and was rubbing her pussy. I had moved over and was going to help her when she got spooked and knocked me off the bed."

Maya was unhappy, "Peaches? Did you knock Lindsay off the bed last night?"

Peaches looked down in shame, "Yes ma'am. I over reacted."

Maya sighed, "Peaches. Please be careful with her. While she's tough, you do need to be gentler with her than me. I don't want to get Andy and Ron mad at me. I already got Gary and Bunny upset with me, because I got carried away with Bambi." She turned her attention to Lindsay, "I'm really sorry about last night and for that matter earlier. Please believe me when I say, I never meant to hurt you."

Lindsay was shocked to see Maya in tears she assured Maya, "It's okay, I'm fine. Please don't cry. Let's watch the movie and relax."

Peaches came over and kissed Lindsay and also apologized, "Sorry about last night." She turned her attention to Maya, "Get some oil, I'll do bed." Maya headed into the bathroom to get the massage oil while Peaches placed some pillows in the center of the bed. Maya came back with the oil and turned on the Plasma and

restarted the movie. Peaches told Lindsay, "Lay down on the bed. Center on your stomach."

Lindsay wasn't too sure what was going to happen, but she obeyed. Maya loosened Lindsay's corset while Peaches removed Lindsay's stockings. Maya noticed Lindsay was getting tense, "Relax, dear we are done playing. Peaches and I are going to give you a massage and more..."

Peaches got on the bed next to Lindsay and started rubbing oil on Lindsay's shoulders. Meanwhile Maya was rubbing Lindsay's legs and feet. She noticed for the most part her cuts had healed with little scarring. She did notice a large scar on Lindsay's left calf and asked as she rubbed her calf, "Is this scar from the accident?"

Lindsay was a bit engrossed in the movie, "Huh? Oh no, that is from my days of high school football."

Peaches was still rubbing Lindsay's shoulders. Maya laid down on the bed and started licking Lindsay's pussy. Lindsay moaned with pleasure. Maya inserted a couple of fingers into Lindsay's pussy then on a whim, started rimming Lindsay. Lindsay started breathing very rapidly and moaning a lot louder. Maya started fucking Lindsay's pussy with her fingers while rimming her. Maya and Peaches were both caught off guard as Lindsay had a massive orgasm.

Lindsay was getting quite horny now and rolled over and instructed the girls, "Peaches over here so I can get to your pussy and you can do Maya's while she does my pussy." None of the three girls were really paying attention to the movie anymore, they were all enjoying each other.

Meanwhile down in the maid's suite Andy walked in wearing leather pants along with a leather vest. He noticed Wynn and Sara restrained to the bed. He looked about the room to see if a yellow envelope was laying around, but did not see one. Andy released Sara and found a yellow envelope underneath her. He opened the envelope and discovered the key was the one for his CBT-7500. Andy was a bit concerned about Wynn being restrained for a long period of time so he handed the magnetic key to Sara, "Release her please and then when you are done service my cock!" Sara removed the wrist restraints.

Wynn told Sara, "I can get the rest from here, you best attend to Andy." Andy had just removed his CBT-7500 so Sara went about sucking his cock.

Andy commented, "Man, Ron was right about you." Andy being so distracted with Sara's blow job hadn't noticed Wynn had fully released herself and moved over next to Andy. She started fondling Andy's balls and nipples. She then did something he was not expecting, Wynn proceeded to kiss Andy. Andy was caught off guard by the intensity of Wynn's kiss and fell off the bed, but not before

shooting his load into Sara's mouth.

Wynn laughed, "Well, what you know? It works on guys too!"

Andy trying to recover, "What the heck was that?!"

Sara giggled, "Wynn's 'secret weapon'!"

Andy picked himself off the floor, "Wow! I remember the day Wynn 'introduced herself' to Peaches when we were in Chugwater. Wow!"

Wynn recalled, "Yep, she certainly was not expecting that. Anyway, why don't you two go into my retreat and have some fun."

Sara asked, "What about you?"

Wynn replied, "I'll be reading this lesbian novel from a series your sister has gotten me addicted to."

Andy asked, "Sure you don't want to do anything with Sara?"

Wynn confirmed, "No, I am just suppose to chaperon and really don't feel like doing much else."

Andy and Sara headed into the retreat portion of Wynn's suite. Andy told her, "Get on the sofa, I'll fuck you doggy style." He removed Sara's belt and proceeded to fuck Sara. About half hour or so Andy was getting worn out. He had brought a change of clothes with him as he knew it would be too uncomfortable trying to sleep in the leather. He went into Wynn's bathroom and changed into shorts and muscle tank. He informed Sara, "I'm going to sleep on the sofa. Go have some fun with Wynn. Here's the key to her armor."

Sara walked back into the main portion of the suite and found Wynn still reading the novel. Sara asked, "Want me to let you out?"

Wynn replied, "No, I'm fine. But if you like I'll eat and massage your pussy."

Sara got on the bed and Wynn moved over so she could get to Sara's pussy. She managed to bring Sara to orgasm fairly quickly. Sara was done for the night and passed out on the bed next to Wynn. Wynn removed Sara's shoes and pulled a couple blankets on top of Sara. She hobbled her way into the retreat to check on Andy who was watching TV. He saw Wynn enter, "Sorry, too loud?"

Wynn assured him, "No your fine. Sara is out for the night. Just wanted to let you know there are some blankets over in the cabinet next to the TV."

Andy let her know, "Okay, thanks."

Wynn told him, "I am going back to bed with Sara. If you need anything let me know."

Andy told her, "I'm fine, you get some rest."

Wynn smiled, "Okay. Good night."

Back in the Queen Suite the three girls had brought each other to multiple orgasms. Lindsay noticed the movie had finished, "One of these days I'll get to see all of that movie."

Maya giggled, "I don't think Peaches and I have ever seen all of that movie!" She got up and turned off the TV and headed to the bathroom.

While Maya was in the bathroom, Peaches laid down next to Lindsay, "Thank you. I had fun."

Lindsay smiled, "Your welcome."

Peaches was still worried about Lindsay, "You sure you okay?"

Lindsay wrist was still a little sore but nothing that was really bothering her, "Yes. I'm fine. Quit fussing over me." She rolled on top of Peaches and started kissing her. Peaches wrapped her arms around Lindsay.

Maya walked out of the bathroom and saw the two of them, "Lindsay and Peaches on a bed K-I-S-S-I-N-G!"

Lindsay was a little startled, "Sorry."

Both Maya and Peaches asked, "Why?"

Lindsay replied, "I didn't mean to steal your girl."

Maya told her, "It's okay. Sometimes it's good to change things up. I know you and Sara are always together just as Peaches and I are."

Lindsay sighed, "Sara and I haven't done much since the accident. Neither one of us have been in the mood. I still feel like Andy and I are in the way."

Maya assured Lindsay, "No. You two are fine. Sara would be lost without you. I think she is just still being cautious with you, that's all. We should've been more cautious with you tonight. I'm use to being rough, as Peaches will tell you."

Peaches looked at Maya, "Yes. In Chugwater I came to her room. She told me she missing girlfriend. I pushed her to bed and started kissing. Maya threw me off, but then picked me up, removed dress and threw me on bed. She was on top of me."

Lindsay replied, "See, Sara has always been gentle with me, but I think that is just her nature."

Maya confirmed, "True, I've always been the stronger one. Kinda had to with Dirk."

Peaches joked, "Dirk the Jerk!"

Maya laughed, "Oh so true." Maya noticed she was getting cold, "Is it just me or is it cold in here?"

Peaches replied, "I'm fine."

Maya joked, "Well, this is like summer for you. I'm from Nevada and Texas which does get cold at times, but nothing like Wyoming."

Lindsay commented, "I am cold too, I think we were so worked up earlier we hadn't noticed."

Peaches commented, "Bed is big enough for three of us if okay with Mistress."

Maya reminded Peaches, "I am not your Mistress. But, sure it is fine if Lindsay shares the bed with us." She added jokingly, "I'll try not to smother Lindsay with a pillow while she is sleeping."

Lindsay had a look of panic on her face and replied, "What?!"

Peaches replied, "Bad Maya!"

Maya laughed, "Geez cain't y'all take a joke. Okay, may be that wasn't very nice. I promise, I won't hurt you Lindsay. Besides if I did, I would answer to Ron, Andy AND Sara. We know how Sara can get when she is pissed."

Lindsay recalled, "Like that night your father made his guest appearance?"

Maya nodded, "Yep. I was so pissed at her that night for the way she treated him. Boy I was wrong about him and she was so right."

Peaches asked, "Takes after her big sister?"

Maya corrected her, "Um, well if you mean by size then yes. Sara is 3-years older

than I am."

Lindsay was shocked, "I had always thought you were older. Have no idea why." She yawned, "Well I am rather tired after all of this. Thanks for a fun night."

She moved herself over the one end of the bed but Maya objected, "No, you can sleep between us. That way Peaches or myself won't accidentally knock you out of the bed." Lindsay laid between Maya and Peaches. Maya rolled over and gave Lindsay a good night kiss and Peaches did the same. The three girls feel asleep shortly thereafter cuddled together.

Before I headed to bed, I checked on the Budget Holstein's server. The reports looked good and I left Linda another message on her business line, "Hey Linda. Ron again. Everything is looking good with the site move. The new server seems to be handling the load well, of course there is not much load on the weekend. Anyway, give me a call if you run into any troubles." After I got off the horn, I set my computer to hibernate and headed towards the library. As I turned off the lights in my office, I noticed a flashing green light coming from my desk. I headed back to my desk and turned on the lamp and noticed it was one of my wireless thermometers. This was the one on the Cabana which had an 'ice alert' if the temperature drops below 38. I looked and saw the reading was 27. I had no idea it was going to get that cold, however it was not unusual for winter to creep into late March. I fired up the heaters before I headed up to bed.

The next morning I got up around 5:00 AM as everyone would have to return to work. I headed downstairs into the kitchen and noticed no one was in there this time around. I started a pot of coffee and happened to glance at the thermometer mounted on the call box, it was showing 25. It was too dark to see out the window, but when I opened the front door to get the morning paper, I noticed snow on the ground. Nothing like Chugwater, but still any snow is significant. Upon heading inside I got the fireplace going in the breakfast nook and dining room. The time was close to 5:15, the coffee maker had finished making the 8-cups. I headed into my office and queued up the rooster and Ty Pennington. I announced, "Sorry for the early wake up, but it is Monday. There is fresh coffee in the kitchen and the current temperature is about 25, so dress warmly."

Everyone slowly made their way into the kitchen. Wynn was the first out and asked, "Did you say it was 25 outside?"

I pointed to the thermometer, "At least out at the call box it is. There's light amount of snow on the ground."

Andy came in and asked, "Snow, in March?"

I reminded him, "I've seen it snow in April and even May. I am sure you have seen your fair share of odd weather in Tucson." Maya, Peaches and Lindsay came

in to the kitchen as did Sara. They all were very quiet, but I suspect they were not really awake yet. I was a little hesitant to ask, but I did, "So, everyone have fun last night?"

Peaches smiled, "Yes we did."

Andy commented, "I don't recall much after Wynn used her 'secret weapon' on me."

I asked, "Secret weapon?"

Wynn giggled, "I kissed him. I didn't know it would work on guys!"

I looked at Maya and Lindsay and asked, "You two good?"

Maya replied putting her arm around Lindsay, "She's still alive."

Andy asked, "What is that suppose to mean?"

Lindsay replied, "Nothing you need to worry about. I am going to take a shower."

Wynn announced, "I should start breakfast. How are we stocked for eggs?"

Peaches told her, "We got couple cartons yesterday."

Wynn opened the fridge and confirmed, "Yep. We also have chili peppers and onions. Okay, Spanish Omelet it shall be then."

As Wynn was getting breakfast prepped the kitchen went dark. Wynn asked, "How did we manage to overload the kitchen?"

I replied, "I don't think it is just the kitchen, think it is the whole house. Let me call over the Zinfandel's and check." I got on my cell phone and called the Zinfandel's home number, "They are not home, so if their machine does not pick-up then I know is the whole neighborhood." The line kept ringing, "Okay, no machine so it is not just us. Let me check something..." I used the flashlight app on my phone and headed into my office and found my hand-held police scanner. As soon as I turned on the scanner I heard chatter on the Scottsdale Fire tactical channels about power lines down on Pima between Lone Mountain and the Carefree Highway.

I headed back into the kitchen, "Okay, power lines down on Pima likely due to the ice storm. Let me grab my coat and I'll head outside and fire up the generator. That should give us at least 6-hours worth of power."

Andy commented, "Didn't know you had a generator?"

I told him, "Since my work involves computers and being able to access the Internet, it is a necessity. Plus, we won't freeze to death. I could use your help as will need to have someone holding the flashlight as I go through the start up process."

Chapter 12: Would This Be Big Enough for the Seven of Us?

Later that evening power had been restored but Pima was still closed to non-local traffic. The next morning Gary dropped by, "Hey Ron, got a few minutes need to discuss something with you?"

Since things were still fairly quiet I told him, "Sure come on into my office." We walked into my office and after I closed the doors I reminded him, "Thanks again for your help with the doors."

Gary replied, "No problem. Anyway, what I wanted to talk to you about Zac Acme."

I asked, "Who?"

Gary explained, "He was the founder and CEO of ACME BDSM. He retired last year which is how I acquired ACME. I've known him for a good 25-years. Anyway, he has a place up in the Ashler Hills Estates that he is looking to sell."

I laughed, "I would have expected this from Marc, but you? I don't really see us needing a new place."

Gary reminded me, "Things are a bit tight here now with Maya and Peaches plus the McGrawl's. You've got to see this place Ron it is incredible."

I thought for a moment, "Well, true and seems everyone is getting at each others throats lately. What's so incredible about it?"

Gary was sounding like a used car salesman, "About 4500 square feet sits on almost $\frac{3}{4}$ of an acre with about 10-bedrooms, 6 full baths, 3 half baths, a 3.5-car and 3-car garages."

I asked, "What I am going to do with 10 bedrooms. Hmm, that adds up to about 6-car garage. That would be enough include space for Wynn's Vespa and our bikes, but not much else."

Gary explained, "Well, you can use a room for your office, another for presentation room. Oh as for storage there was an additional 2-car garage on the east side he converted into a storage area/wood shop." I was thinking this might work when Gary added, "Oh and behind the pool is a guest cottage."

I confirmed, "A guest cottage?"

Gary replied, "Yep. The nanny use to live in it, but she left earlier this year, ran off with one of his daughters. Oh and upstairs, overlooking the pool is two bedrooms with a shared bathroom. I bet ya you could get Dundee in there to knock out the wall and turn that full bathroom into a powder room with some dressing rooms. You can have a play loft."

I had to admit I was kinda wanting to see this place, but I wondered, "How much is he asking?"

Gary told me, "Well, he was asking around \$750,000 but since it is just him, his wife two of the eight kids and the butler he really wants something smaller. He might be willing to drop it it down to around \$675,000. Oh and he might be interested in your house."

I was puzzled, "This place would still seem a little big."

Gary added, "Well, the two kids tend to have friends over a lot, not to mention parties. His other kids do visit with their kids throughout the year from Nevada."

I wondered, "Where is Ashler Hills Estates anyway?"

Gary explained, "It is that custom home development to the north of the Market Place that was annexed into the Desert Oasis Community Association earlier this month. Right now you can only get to it via Pima, but the association is working on extending Roadrunner north and west of Sagebrush to connect them to the rest of the community. When do you want to take a look?"

I wondered who was still in the house so I announced over the intercom, "Whoever is here, please come to my office." Sara, Wynn and Peaches walked in. I asked, "Where's the McGrawl's and Maya?"

Peaches replied, "Vinnie's"

I asked her, "Okay what about The McGrawl's?"

Peaches told me, "Yes."

That was odd, but may be Dianne needed some computer help. I explained, "Okay. Well, if no one has anything planned, Gary has something he wants to show us. I suppose we can all fit in the Cruiser." The six us headed out to see the house belonging to Zac Acme. We exited on Pima and continued about a 1/2 mile north to Westland Drive. We made a right and came up to a private entrance.

Gary explained, "Once the association extends Roadrunner up here, this will become a "resident's only" entrance. Now, Zac did give me a gate code 8-6-7-5-3-0-9, that should get us in."

As I was punching in the code I wondered, "Isn't that Jenny's number?"

Peaches asked, "Who Jenny?" I told her to ask Maya.

The gates opened and Gary directed me, "Okay, make a left here and follow this road around the golf course. His place is on the east side of the golf course. All the houses backup to the golf course and there are only houses on the inner side of this loop road. So the front has a view of the desert and mountains while the rear has the golf course. Okay here we go #7 this is the place. Turn into the middle driveway, the first and last lead to the garages on the side."

I turned into the driveway and noticed the house or was it a mission? The architecture style reminded of the Spanish Missions. Lots of arches and lots and lots of windows. As we got out of the car Sara asked, "So what is so special about this place?"

I replied, "Gary is trying to unload this house on me. From what I have heard it could work well for us. But I have to see it first." We headed up the front porch and rang the bell.

An older gentlemen answered the door and when he saw Gary replied, "Ah Mister Zinfandel, Mister Acme is expecting you."

Gary laughed, "That's good. Lead the way Jeeves." The entry area was not much, just a coat closet and powder room off to the side then a windy hall to the rest of the house."

As we walked in we heard a voice from above and noticed the upper floor was open to below, "Hey Gary, I see you brought some friends!"

Zac Acme came down the stairs and Gary introduced us, "Zac, this Ron Merlot, his wife Sara. You remember Wynn and this is Anna, a friend of Ron' sister-in-law."

Peaches corrected Gary, "Peaches."

Gary shook his head, "Yea, I knew that. Peaches!"

Zac laughed, "She's a feisty one, reminds me of your wife in her younger years. Anyway, go ahead and show them around. You know his needs better and can help him envision the possibilities. Nothing is off limits, we knew you would be coming eventually. I'll be over in my office when you are done."

Gary shook Zac's hand and replied, "Will do Zac. Okay...well let's see. Let's head down this little hall of to the side." He opened a door and we walked into what at one time was a garage. It was now Zac's wood shop, "As you can see Zac has converted this into a shop and there is plenty of storage."

I looked around a bit, "This is much bigger than my current shop. This could be nice."

Gary relaxed, "Well, there is plenty more. The door over there leads in to the 3-car garage. Now, lets head back." As we came back into the house we noticed the entire wall was either windows or glass doors. Gary continued, "You can see the covered Cabana as well as the pool. We will make a right." We headed down the hall and Gary turned to the right into a large but empty room. He explained, "This was an extension of the garage but he made into a 'safe room'. I could see this as your 'presentation room'."

I looked around and commented, "Add some sofas along the long wall...yeah that could work."

Gary continued, "Okay, the Butler's suite is next. This could be Wynn's room." We headed back into the hall and walked to the end through a set of double-doors.

Wynn commented, "Nice, this is about as big as what I have now."

I was looking out the windows and commented, "Wow, you weren't kidding about the golf course..." I noticed a building to the west, "What is that over there?"

Gary answered, "The entire backyard backups up to the golf course. That over there is the Guest Cottage. That use to be the Nanny's until she left. It has 1-bedroom, bathroom and a living area with a wet-bar. The patio over looks the pool and golf course."

I wondered out loud, "What in the world am I going to do with a Guest Cottage?"

Sara replied, "Andy and Lindsay could use it. The living area could be their office."

I replied in surprise, "Wow, that's a very good idea Sara. That way they can have some privacy, but can still be part of the family."

We headed back towards the entry area and then into a combination Living Room and Dining Room. Gary explained, "Okay this is the Great Room. To give you an idea just how big this room is, that is an extra long recliner sectional over here. That dining table seats twenty, I swear it looks like it belongs in a mid-evil castle! Oh and there is a fireplace in the living section, below the 62" LED TV." It was truly a Great Room and much like the rest of the walls facing the pool and Cabana

it was nearly all glass. Gary slid open the large door, "Come on out to the covered Cabana. Zac has a grill that makes yours look like a hibachi!" We walked out on to the covered Cabana and noticed a giant grill with a vent hood over in the corner. Gary drew our attention to the pool, "There is a fence along 3 sides of the pool with the forth side being along the side of the house. The pool is heated via solar panels. Okay, the kitchen is next!" We headed back inside and walked towards the kitchen. There was a moderate bar area that had four bar stools. We walked into a giant kitchen with all stainless steel appliances.

Wynn was drawn to the refrigerator, "Is that a Sub-Zero? Oh wow it is! This is the Cadillac of refrigerators! Hey look, there is a wine fridge over here as well." She turned around and noticed the range, "Wow, an eight-burner gas range! Even the sink and dishwasher are high end. This is quite the chef's kitchen!"

Gary walked over to a door, "Take a look at this pantry."

Peaches walked in and commented, "This bigger than our room at The Ranch!"

Gary directed us towards the back of the kitchen, "There is also a small eat-in nook. This hall here leads to the laundry room and then to the 3 1/2 car garage. We will hang a left and head upstairs. There is more downstairs, but will get to that later." Once upstairs, Gary explained, "The top floor is much like the bottom floor, except for these two bedrooms and this bath which are over the covered Cabana. Now, as I was explaining to Ron, I think we can get Dundee in here and knock out this common wall and closets. Also have him reconfigure this bathroom into a powder room with some dressing rooms and turning the rest into storage. This could become your play loft."

Sara looked around but was having a hard time visualizing this, "Hard to judge with these walls."

Gary explained, "Opening this up, you are going to end up with a room that is about 10x20 feet. I would say this is almost double what you have now. Okay, we will now look at the west side of the house. As the name says here on the door it is the Cholla Suite as the view from this window is the chollas on the hillside. This is the smallest of the four suites upstairs."

We walked in and it was still a good size, about that of the guest room/former presentation room, but with an en-suite bathroom. I commented, "This about the size of the old Presentation Room and that did not even have an attached bathroom." We walked into the bathroom, "Interesting tub." The tub was a one-quarter of a circle.

Gary laughed, "I know that is a little odd. The rest of the suites have normal tubs. Well, except for the Agave, that one is 'party size'."

Peaches asked, "Party size?"

Gary explained, "Yea, it is big. We will be over there in a bit. Next up is the Saguaro Suite. This one is fairly large, I think about the size of Ron and Sara's current room. This would make a good master suite." I was impressed with the size and stepping out on to the deck I understood why it was called the Saguaro suite, to the west of the golf course was dozens upon dozens of Saguaro Cactus. Gary called out, "Okay to the east side of the house now." We walked past the 'future play loft' to the other end of the house. "Okay next up is the Blue Agave Suite. Zac's daughter is currently using this room and it is huge." We walked in and stood in awe at the sheer size of the room. "This room has a 'retreat'. The main room is through the arches. Be sure to check out the view from the deck."

Peaches walked out and declared, "Maya want this room. Look at view! She loves Blue Agave's." The view was incredible, past the golf course was a plateau with Palo Verde trees and blue agave plants as far as they eye could see."

I commented, "So noted. I think Sara and I would do well in the Saguaro. The Cholla would be fine as a guest room. But that is only three."

Gary informed me, "Yes, one more room. The Palo Verde Suite is down the hall." We walked down a long hall and entered into another fairly large suite."

I joked, "Maya could have her ASU girlfriends over for a party in here!"

Peaches asked, "Maya parties?"

Sara explained, "Ron was joking. Though when we lived in Nevada, she use to party quite a bit."

Gary wanting to get the tour back on track, "Okay, time to head down stairs. Over by where we came in." We headed back downstairs and were back where we first came in. Gary guide us, "Okay, I need to show you the guest cottage. I think it is about 1000 square feet including the patio." We walked outside to the cabana, past the pool and over to the guest cottage. It was large, but well laid out.

Sara commented, "Not sure if they will be able to get their desk in here."

I reminded her, "That desk is built-in and there is no way it is coming out. Dundee had a hell of a time trying to get it into the room. I suppose he could build them a new one."

Gary smiled, "That's the spirit Ron! Okay, one more suite then Zac's office." We walked around the pool and came in through the doors to the lower level west hall. "Okay, this is the Copper Suite. Not much to it, but it is a simple guest suite on the main level." We headed back out the hall, "Okay there is another powder

room at the end of the hall next to the library/study." The library was slightly smaller than what I had now, but I also had my presentation equipment in there as well. We entered into Zac's office which a little larger than my current office, but then I wouldn't be having to share it with the McGrawl's."

Zac saw us walk in and asked, "Questions, comments, concerns, anything?"

I replied, "I do like the house. Tell me more about it, when and how was it built."

Zac explained, "Well, the house is about 25-years old but we did a massive renovation and updating about 2-years ago. A long time ago, I lived down in Mexico while I was stationed with The Guard. I fell in love with the architecture style and loved the 'missions'. When I got out of the service I met up with Gary at a Fetish convention and we started in business together. Things didn't work out as we had different ideas. So, he went his way and I went my way. I ended up out here with my wife. Cave Creek was nothing more than a dot on the map. However, there a lot of kinky folks up here with money burying holes in their pockets. Also this being a tourist town I managed to do well for myself. We kept having kids and by the fourth kid, I knew we needed something bigger. A fellow made me an odd offer, he ordered about \$10,000 worth of equipment and then gave me the land in exchange. So I had the house built. It was only one level at the time. But as we started having more kids and the others got older, the house grew. I started operating ACME from here and would fly into Vegas. Gary and I ended up meeting up again and I bought into GZ Fetishes. When he opened the Deer Valley location and converted the old Vegas location, we sold off the rights to GZ Fetishes and started operating under the ACME BDSM name."

Gary explained, "That was why I was able to get the house built out here and had no problems opening up the Deer Valley location."

Zac continued, "When Cristina successfully took over the Las Vegas location and I saw how well Gary was running the company I retired. Now, most of the kids have moved away, but do visit with their kids from time to time. My youngest son and daughter are still living with us. She is going to college over in Paradise Valley and he is going to Scottsdale. My daughter wants to go to ASU, my son wants to spite me by going to UofA! No, they have a great medical school down there. So, now this place is just too much for us. I'd like something a little smaller and from what Gary tells me your place sounds about perfect. What's the layout again?"

I explained, "One suite on the main floor, three suites and two bedroom on the upper floor. The main floor also has an office/library similar to this and a smaller and older kitchen. The bottom level is 3 car-garages. Four of them to be exact. One has the playroom with storage and dressing rooms in the 2-car portion. The other side I am using 2/3 for my shop and storage. There is a pool and cabana as well."

Zac seemed pleased, "Well, I would want to have a look along with the misses and the kids. Would you consider doing a swap plus says \$150,000 for the difference?"

I was stunned, "Well..." When Gary first brought me here I had no desire to even consider making an offer on this place. But the more we walked through it, the more I could see us here. "I do need to run this by the McGrawl's as well as Sara's sister. I should mention that one of the upstairs bedrooms has been converted into an office...twice...and has furniture that can not be moved."

Zac laughed, "I know what you mean. I should mention the dining table, sectional and all the furniture in the Blue Agave and Copper Suites is included as is all custom made for those rooms."

Joking I asked, "How about the grill?"

Zac informed me, "That ain't going anywhere either. In fact that is one-of-a-kind custom made for the Cabana. Listen Ron, I know you want this place and truth be told I want yours. I know I have not seen it, but from what Gary has described it would be perfect. But, I know we both need to do our due diligence. For me it is going to be running this by the misses, though she is just going to tell me to do whatever I want. As you said, you want to run this by the McGrawl's and Maya. You bring them out here to see the place and I'll bring my family to see yours..."

My cell phone started ringing, "Whoops. Sorry about that, didn't realize it was on. Hmm, it is Maya..."

Zac assured me, "Go ahead and take it in the library."

Chapter 13: Can You Make Us An Offer We Can't Refuse?

I answered the phone and was interrogated by Maya, "Where are you?"

I replied, "What's it to you?"

Maya replied, "Never mind. Hey, when would you be able to get over to Vinnie's?"

I asked, "That depends. When will you and the McGrawl's be able to look at this house?"

Maya was rather confused, "What house?"

I decided I should wrap this up, "I'll explain later. I can likely get over to Vinnie's this afternoon, I don't think I have anything planned."

Maya confirmed, "This afternoon would be fine. When you going to be back at the house?"

I could make things easier by having them come up, "Later. Do you three have anything planned for the rest of the day?"

Maya confirmed with the McGrawl's, "Nope, why what's up?"

I explained, "There is something I want you to see. It is up in the Ashler Hills Estates..."

Maya informed me, "I've heard of that, Vinnie's is going to start delivering there soon. Something about them being annexed in to the community. What is it you want us to see?"

I replied, "You'll see when you get here. Let me give you directions and a gate code 8-6-7-5-3-0-9"

I relayed the info and Maya replied, "8-6-7-5-3-0-9, isn't that Jenny's number? Okay, we should be there in about 10 minutes."

I walked about into the library and informed Zac, "Okay, my sister-in-law and The McGrawl's are on their way over here." I turned to Sara, "Sounds like they have a job for us with Vinnie's. Not sure yet, but I told them I'd stop by later this afternoon and to talk to Diane. "

Zac got on the intercom, "Jeeves! More visitors will be arriving shortly, bring them to my office when they arrive please."

While we were waiting I informed Zac, "I have a business matter I need to take care of this afternoon. How about you bring the misses and the kids over tonight? We'll have to use the cabana as our dining room is not so large."

Zac confirmed, "We can do that."

A very elaborate doorbell echoed through the house. A couple minutes later Jeeves followed by Maya and The McGrawl's joined the rest of us in Zac's huge office. I introduced them, "This is Maya, Sara's sister and our dear friends Andy and Lindsay McGrawl's. This is Zac Acme, he is very long time friend of Gary."

Lindsay was puzzled, "Okay, so why are we here?"

I explained, "Gary here is playing Mister Real Estate agent. Seems Zac is finding this place is a tad too big for him, his wife and two remaining kids."

Andy asked, "Just how big is this place?"

Gary replied, "Including the guest cottage or not?"

Lindsay replied, "Guest cottage?"

Zac laughed, "Yes, use to belong to my nanny. She left a few months ago along with my eldest daughter. It is about 1000 square feet including the patio. The rest of the house is around 3500 square feet...give or take. The property itself sits on about $\frac{3}{4}$ acres."

Peaches was getting antsy, "Can I show Maya our room?"

Maya looked at her dumbfounded, "*Our* room?"

Zac replied, "Sure go ahead, I believe the rest of us will be over in the guest cottage." Before Maya had a chance to say anything, Peaches was dragging her to the stairs.

Andy asked, "Are you seriously considering buying this place?"

I replied, "No."

Andy was relived, "Good, I was wondering..."

I informed him, "I plan on swapping my house and paying a small amount of money for the difference." Andy was about to say something but I told him, "Now, let's take a look at that Guest Cottage. Sara thinks it would be perfect for you and Lindsay."

Lindsay was even more confused, "What would we do with a guest cottage?"

Sara took Lindsay's hand and walked out towards the pool to the guest cottage and explained, "You'll live there silly. Or at least sleep and may be work from there. Come now."

As we walked out Andy asked, "You are really serious about this?"

I told him, "When Gary first told me about it, not really. But, since he has given me the grand tour and pointed out how things could work out. The upstairs is going to take a little work to get those two bedrooms converted into a play loft. More work for Dundee. Hey, what's up with Vinnie's?"

Andy was still a little surprised, "I just can't imagine you leaving your current place. Anyway, Vinnie's is going high-tech at least that is what Diane is envisioning. She was telling Maya about how she wanted to streamline the ordering process. So Maya started telling her about what we did at Corona de la

Estrella's. Well, one thing led to another and we got called in. She also wants to setup a couple LED TV's to display her menu's. Not sure how we can do that."

I told him, "That's easy. Much like Linda's slide show and what we did over at Boot's Chugwater. The menu is just a web application. Just load the menus up in Chrome full screen in different windows. Each window will be on it's own monitor or in this case TV. The ordering system shouldn't be too bad. Will have to take a look at their existing network and their addressing scheme. Crap..."

Andy asked, "What?"

I laughed, "There is the matter of Laura as this is going to be a whole new install. Oh well, we deal with that when the time comes. Now, we'd better catch up to our wives."

Andy looked around, "This quite a place. How far are we from your place?"

I told Andy, "Not that far. We are just north of the Market Place and in a couple weeks this area is going to be connected to the rest of the Desert Foothills Oasis community."

Andy understood, "Oh, so this is the Ashler Hills Estates that Diane was mentioning."

Sara opened the door to the guest cottage, "Take a look around, no one is living her now." Lindsay walked in and Sara explained, "You can use this living area as your home office. I don't know how much of the living area you saw of the main house but it is huge."

Andy and I caught up to them as Lindsay looked around and commented, "I don't think our desk is going to fit in here."

I reminded them, "Your desk is not going to leave your current office. You don't know how much trouble Dundee had getting it up there. We'll have him build a new one here."

Andy confirmed, "That makes sense."

Lindsay walked into the bedroom, "Oh my gosh, this room is huge. Andy! Come."

Andy walked in and let out a whistle, "Yep, this quite large."

I joked, "Take a look at the closet, you could fit a bed in there."

Andy walked over and looked in then commented, "Hey Lindsay this could be your room."

Lindsay let out a fake laugh, "Very funny."

We walked back to the main house and I show Andy and Lindsay the rest of the downstairs. Meanwhile Peaches had practically ripped Maya's arm off dragging her through the house. Though they did stop off in the kitchen. Peaches informed Maya pointing to the refrigerator, "Wynn says this Cadillac."

Maya looked at the fridge and laughed, "Looks like a Sub-Zero to me. But, I understand what you mean." She saw the rest of the stainless steel appliances and commented, "Wow this is quite a kitchen."

Peaches didn't really care about the kitchen she wanted Maya to see 'their room', "Come now!" Peaches led Maya up the stairs and past the future playroom. They entered the Blue Agave suite. The door from the hall leads into the retreat attached to the main room. Peaches told Maya, "This like Wynn's room."

Maya nodded, still not sure what was happening. Peaches dragged her into the bathroom where she saw the tub, "Wow that tub would be big enough for the two of us!"

Peaches lead Maya to the back of the room through a small passage to the Palo Verde suite, "Ron says this could be party room."

Maya walked into the retreat of the Palo Verde room. She finally figured out what Peaches meant, "Ah okay. So if I have friends over from ASU we can "study" in here and they could spend the night too."

Peaches was saving the best for last, "Come back to *our* room, you must see deck!"

Maya walked back into the Agave Suite and follow Peaches out on to the deck. She saw the blue agave, "Wow Peaches, you remembered!" She looked around some more and was amazed, "This place is incredible. Can't believe Ron is considering getting this. Speaking of Ron, we'd best go find him and the rest of the family."

We all ended up in the dining room along with Gary and Zac. Lindsay sat down at one end of the table and commented, "This table looks like it belongs in a castle!"

I commented, "I know. I'd be expecting to see torches on the wall next to the tapestries. This table is included, along with that triple sectional and the furniture in the Blue Agave Suite..."

Peaches interrupted me pointing to herself and Maya, "Our room!"

I laughed, "...okay 'Maya and Peaches' room along with the Cooper Queen Suite."

Zac added, "Don't forget the built-in grill on the cabana!"

I replied, "How could I? That thing is beautiful, a work of art!"

Wynn commented pointing over to the kitchen, "Much like this kitchen!"

Lindsay seemed to be lost in thought, "What ya thinking Lindsay?"

Lindsay came back to reality, "Oh...um...gee I am not sure. The guest house is great, it would give us our own space when we need it."

Andy added, "Yea, it would work well for you to work from home. You can handle things with our stores on your off days from the Budget Holstein North."

This was the first I heard of Lindsay still continuing with the Budget Holstein North. I joked, "You'll be even closer now."

Zac asked, "What is the Budget Holstein North?"

Gary explained, "It is a satellite store of the main Budget Holstein Boutique down in Oro Valley. The stores are owned by a good friend of ours, Linda Holstein. They sell goth and fetish clothing and leather items. I am surprised you haven't heard of them. "

Zac racked his brain, "Holstein...Holstein...hmm...you know the name sounds familiar...hey now that I think about it, I've saw them at a festival in Carefree last summer. "

Sara replied, "Yep. Linda and her daughter Kayré had setup a stall there. They had such a great response and so much demand, that led Linda to open another store over by the Boulders. Kayré, Kacie, Lindsay and I all work there. May be we can do some 'advertising' for them tonight."

Zac laughed, "Great, my wife and kids are going to love that and will want a new wardrobe. Oh well, she complains I never buy her anything. Anyway Ron, what do you think about the house?"

I admitted, "You know, when Gary first told me about this, I wasn't even considering this. But now...while it is going to take some work I think it is good choice. Will have to get Dundee to build a new desk for the McGrawl's and then there is the matter of getting the play loft setup. Would have to get Dundee in here to see how long this all would take."

Zac informed me, "We would be out by the beginning of May. This would give you

time to get this place ready and then move in. That is if you plan on doing this.”

I reminded Zac, “Doesn't that kinda depend on how the misses and the kids like our place?”

Zac laughed, “True, but as I said before she'll likely tell me to do whatever I want. The kid's don't care, as long as they have a roof to sleep and party under! Well, no hurry, don't let me rush you. You mentioned you had a job you needed to get to so I'll see you guys tonight.”

I replied, “Yes, apparently I've been recruited to do an upgrade for Vinnie's. So, we shall see you tonight.”

Chapter 14: The Anatomy of Vinnie's 2.0

Once outside I explained, “Maya, Andy and I will come with you back to Vinnie's. Everyone else go with Sara in the Cruiser.”

The three of us got into Maya's Hummer and headed over to the new Vinnie's. We met up with Diane, “Hey good to see you again.”

I commented, “Yep, I believe the last time was the wedding. So, Maya and Andy tell me you want to move into the 21st Century!”

Diane giggled, “So true. Maya was telling me what you did for the client in Oro Valley. I'd like something similar.”

I asked, “Okay, so what is your current network like?”

Diane looked confused and Maya explained, “Um, there is no network. Everything was very old school other than our Delivery/Carry-out board. Diane had a computer in her back office, but that is about it.”

I replied, “Okay, well this is going to more work than I thought, but actually not that bad since we will be starting from scratch.” The four of us headed over to a booth and sat down. “Let's see, first I need to get an idea of what we need. So, how many people do you have taking delivery orders over the phone?”

Maya answered, “At the most two. We are going to have two registers, one for dine in and one for pickup. We should have another register where us drivers can cash out. I would say we only need may be half dozen tablets at this time. There is one other server besides Peaches and Diane can use one to keep track of everything.”

Andy asked, “What about having the people on the phones use tablets as well?”

I commented, "That would make wiring much easier. Just need to make sure we get a wireless access point adapter and router that can handle that much bandwidth."

Diane had concerns, "I am not sure how practical it is going to be for them to hold/use a tablet and talk on the phone."

Andy explained, "We can have the tablets mounted on stands. This way it is less hardware and less wiring we have to do. We need to find a place to setup the wiring closet though I suppose we may be able to use Diane's office. "

I complained, "Geez Andy, I don't have my laptop with me. Well, let me diagram this on paper and make notes as to what we need." Turning my attention to Diane, "Are you going to be doing any online orders?"

Diane told me, "Not really. We would like to have website, but trying to deal with online orders would be way too much work for us. Besides, we only serve a very limited delivery area. I am really hoping that having a dining room and being part of The Market is going to help. This is the first center people are going to see when heading south on The Pima Highway from Bartlett Lake on Cave Creek Road."

I told her, "Good thinking. Okay that makes things fairly easy. So really we need to wire up the front for registers and then the kitchen for an order printer and may be this old server station over here for a check printer. In fact, I am beginning to think everything is already wired, we may just have to do a little adapting and rerouting." I walked over to the old server station and took a look, "Hmm, no router, just a hub. Okay, so we will need a router with a WAP module and a switch may be a 12-port. We can use this as the 'wiring closet' since it is centrally located. "

Andy reminded me, "How about the TV's?"

Diane commented, "You know, there is enough room here for three 42" LED TV's."

I noted, "Hmm...okay so may be we should do an economy system with a video card capable of handling multiple HDMI outputs and cooling system. The pages can be hosted locally, shouldn't take me much work to create the site."

Maya surprised me, "Or Peaches?"

I looked at her confused, "Peaches?"

Maya laughed, "I didn't know either until she showed me the site she had created for the Bed and Breakfast. She is quite talented with simple websites."

I told her, "Okay fine by me. To be honest I am trying to get away from the website side of things and focus more on networking."

Andy commented, "Still need a server for the ordering and POS software. May be we should just make it an Ultimate System and put it in Diane's office."

I had concerns, "I don't know I'd be concerned about the bandwidth usage....oh never mind, this is going to be such a small network it can handle it. This is not like the Budget Holstein where the web server could not be on the same subnet as everything else."

Maya was confused by my terminology, "Subnet?"

Andy explained, "Network. It is when you divide a single network into multiple smaller networks. At the Budget Holstein Oro Valley we had two subnets. One that handles everything web related from the site, to the slide shows and the order terminals and provided WAN or Internet access. The other subnet has the internal applications. In that case, the 'web' subnet and the 'internal' subnets both required a lot of bandwidth, but by splitting them it reduced the response time."

I added, "Yeah and I seriously doubt Diane is going to see as much web traffic in a year that the Budget Holstein gets on a daily basis. So we could get away with putting the 'menu' right on the server along with the website. This shouldn't be too difficult other than Laura."

Diane asked, "Who's Laura?"

Andy replied, "Ron's sister. She handles the software end of things while Ron and I do the hardware side of things."

I asked Diane, "What is your time frame on this?"

Diane explained, "I hope to open next week. But, we've been doing it 'old school' as Maya calls it for the past couple years so another couple months or so won't kill us."

I was relieved, "Good, that will make things a little easier. I've got a major project I am about to undertake on my own that is going to require some of my attention."

Andy laughed, "How is it we go from one extreme to the other?!"

I replied, "I know, Corona de la Estrella's, Boots Chugwater and then the Budget Holstein Oro Valley. Oh and your Fort McDowell store, which I am beginning to wonder if you are going to ever open."

Andy told me, "We will. Soon. Dunn Brooks is suppose to be out here soon and Dundee is almost done."

I joked, "Good, because if I go forward with the place in the Ashler Hills Estates I am going to need him." I looked at my phone, "Speaking of which, I need to get back to my place and get ready for our clients visit tonight. Okay Diane, I'll get back to you within a couple days with an estimate and time line."

Diane appreciated our work, "Great. No hurry, I am sure we can survive in the dark ages for a little longer!"

Chapter 15: A Most Unusual Open House and I Sure Hope That Ain't Load Bearing!

Upon returning to the house I noticed the place had been cleaned up and all the girls were wearing outfits form the Budget Holstein. Sara was in her black widow corset, black fishnets and a long black skirt. Lindsay as usual was an angle expect she was wearing white fishnet tights under a white long-sleeve bodysuit and white under-bust corset. Maya came down the stairs in a red corset a very short skirt. She was wearing over the knee boots along with fishnet stockings. Peaches came down the stairs in a long black corset dress with black stockings and ankle boots. Wynn appeared in the outfit she was wearing when she met Peaches back in Chugwater, a tan corset and fishnets along with a brown skirt and 5-inch knee high boots. I asked about dinner and Wynn informed me, "Burgers, bratwursts and chicken breasts are on the grill. "

About twenty minutes later Zac arrive accompanied by his wife and kids. Wynn led them to the patio. Zac's son commented, "Michelle would look great in that outfit!"

His sister Liza commented, "She sure would." She saw Lindsay, "Now that is mine kind of outfit. Love the white fishnets!"

Zac laughed, "There goes my pension!" He introduced his wife, Amie and also explained pointing to his son, "Michelle is his girlfriend."

Amie caught a glance of Sara, "Who is she and what is that corset?!"

I called over, "Sara, can you come over please?" Sara walked over and Amie's jaw dropped. I introduced them, "Sara, this is Amie Acme. This is my wife Sara." Even Zac's son and daughter were intoxicated by Sara.

Amie asked, "What is that corset you are wearing?"

Sara explained, "It is the Black Widow, an exclusive of *The Budget Holstein*."

Amie turned to Zac and told him while pointing to Sara's corset, "You get me one of those and you can buy this house."

Zac laughed, "That was easy!"

We sat down and ate dinner. Maya struck up a conversation with Zac's daughter, "So Liza, I understand you want to go to ASU?" Maya and Liza talked amongst themselves as did the other guests.

After we had finished dinner it was time for the grand tour. I told Zac, "As you can see the pool is a little larger than yours. Martina had it put in after we bought the house."

Zac asked, "Who's Martina?"

I explained, "My ex-wife, who might have married me for my money. She ended up running off with Marc Frosh."

Zac knew who I was talking about, "Oh *that* Martina!"

I laughed, "Do I even want to know?"

Zac laughed, "More than likely not. Let's just say she has quite a reputation."

I told him, "Oh so very true."

We headed to the garages and I explained how they were setup. Back on to the main level I showed them Wynn's suite. Liza commented, "Would love to have this room. Can have my girl friends over in this sitting room."

Zac nodded, "Well, since it is the only bedroom on the main floor that might work well. I understand there are four upstairs?"

I corrected him "Actually, there are five. We'll head up there shortly, let me show you my library/office combo."

We headed into the Library and Amie just stood at the giant windows looking out, "What a view!"

Maya laughed, "You think that is impressive wait until we get upstairs."

I showed them the rest of the house and we ended up in the great room. I asked, "Well what do you all think?"

Liza replied pointing to Wynn's suite, "If I can have that room over yonder I am

good. Oh and that there outfit the 'Angel' has on!"

Amie told us, "If Zac can get me a corset like Sara has on, I'll be great."

I asked their son Brad, "How about you?"

Brad told me, "Does not much matter to me, I'll be heading down to Tucson this August. I'll be up here with Michelle for the Thanksgiving holiday and likely winter break. However, if you can get me that outfit Wynn has on, I'd be good."

Zac announced, "Well, Ron I think we have the approval of my family. How about yours?"

As far as I knew no one had any reservations, but I figured it was best not to assume, "Any one have any concerns. Lindsay?"

Lindsay looked at me shocked, "What? Why do think I would hold you and Sara...," She started to cuss in Mandarin again.

Liza looked up shocked and replied, "Lindsay, that is not very nice thing to say about Sara."

Lindsay turned red, "You know Mandarin?" Liza nodded yes. Lindsay then turned to me, "Sorry, I just called Sara a whore in Mandarin."

I laughed, "Okay...well that will teach you. Anyway, I still feel bad for trying to push you into that other house. I don't want to make the same mistake twice."

Lindsay bowed, "My apologies Ron. I appreciate you looking out for us. We are good and I think the arrangement will work well."

I asked the rest of the family, "Sara, Maya, Peaches or Wynn?"

Sara commented, "Maya stepped out with Liza. Anyway, I think we are good. I can't speak for Peaches..."

Peaches hearing her name, "Maya loves room. If Maya good, I good."

I deiced before I made a final decision I needed to consult with Dundee, "Okay then. I still need to talk to Dundee about creating the play loft."

Zac assured me, "Have your contractor come in at any time."

I replied, "I'll get on the horn with him tomorrow. Meanwhile, Lindsay why don't you give Zac, Liza, Brad and Amie your cards."

Lindsay was confused, "Why would they want a *PC's and Things*...oh you mean my *Budget Holstein* card? Ah okay. Let me run up to the office." She returned a short time later and handed the Acme's her cards and explained, "I am usually there Thursday through Sunday." The Acme's thanked her and left for the evening.

The next day I got Dundee on the horn, "Hey Dundee, Ron here. I've got a possible project for you."

Dundee laughed, "Figures, just finishing up the McGrawl's Fort McDowell store. What's up?"

I explained, "Seems Gary has a friend that wants to swap houses with me. Anyway, there is bathroom along with two adjoining bedrooms that we would like to convert."

Dundee asked, "Convert into what?"

I told him, "The bedrooms, into one giant room. The bathroom from a a full bath to a simple powder room with some dressing rooms. There is a giant closet too that we can downsize or reconfigure."

Dundee explained, "Without seeing the place first I am not sure. Should work as long as the wall or walls you plan on knocking out aren't load bearing."

I wondered, "What if they are?"

Dundee told me, "Well then I would need to get a structural engineer out there and have them tell me what we could do. I am open later this week." We agreed to meet later in the week.

Chapter 16: Plans, Plans and more Plans

The next day I sat down and worked out the plan for the new and improved Vinnie's or "Vinnie's 2.0" as Maya called it. The job wasn't going to be too bad, at least on the hardware side. Software would be another battle in trying to work with Laura. At least Laura like myself, made her Google Calendar available on the web so I was able to see her schedule. She did look rather open in the beginning of June, so I might be able to get her out during that time. I was going to call her, but noticed she was away at conventions for the next couple weeks.

Friday afternoon Dundee met me over at the Acme's place. Dundee looked around the vast estate, "Impressive. Nice architecture."

We headed inside and met up with Zac, I introduced the two of them. Zac told us to go ahead and do whatever we needed. I led Dundee upstairs and to the rooms,

"Here we go. So, I want to take out that wall and reconfigure this bathroom removing the tub and likely enclosing the commode, turning it into a powder room."

Dundee looked around a bit and announced, "I'd be best to get my engineer in here. We may be good, but I want to make sure. I will also need to get a plumber and electrician in here as well. "

I told him, "Since you are getting an electrician in here, we are going to need some fan boxes installed along with pots lights, especially for the dressing rooms."

Dundee made notes and told me, "Let me get my engineer in here and then we can see what we need." Dundee left and I headed over to Zac's office.

Zac commented, "So, the wife and kids went on a shopping spree this morning at The Budget Holstein North."

I joked, "So, what did that do to you?"

Zac laughed, "Dropped my net worth by about 10%! Anyway, there are good now and so if everything works out for you here, we will take your place. "

I informed him, "Dundee needs to get some specialists to check things out. But, otherwise I think we are good. Should know more next week."

On my way back I stopped over at the new Vinnie's and talked to Dianne for a bit. I explained, "Here is my estimate. However, this does not include the work Laura will do and she bills separately. "

Dianne was more than pleased with the estimate, "This is fine. When do you think you will know about Laura?"

I told her, "I'll need to talk to her first, but she is away at conventions for the next couple weeks."

Dianne told me, "No matter, go ahead and do what you need to do to get started."

I explained, "50% deposit and I will order the parts, including your new registers. That is going to take a week or two but Andy, Maya and I could start on the wiring next week."

The weekend was quiet which given the events over the past couple month was nice. Lindsay did come down to my office and asked, "If we do the house swap are we going to have to pack?"

I told her, "No, I will have Anozira Moving take care of everything. I would suggest though that you take your computers on your own. But otherwise, they will handle everything."

Dundee reported back to me Tuesday morning, "So the wall is not load bearing, but the engineer does recommend adding a header beam with support posts. You will still have a fairly large open space. The plumber says it won't be much work, simply cap off the tub/shower lines and drains. The electrical is a little more involved with the amount of pot lights and fans. He recommends that this area be placed on a dedicated circuit. Otherwise, it is not too much work. Will be a lot of demo and the dressing rooms will take some work. Here is my bid."

I looked over Dundee's bid and was not too bad. A little more than I was expecting but I was not taking in to account the electrical work involved in this project. The money I would be making off Diane's job would cover most of this even after the McGrawl's and Maya got their share. Still, the \$150,000 difference that Zac wanted was going to be a little tough. I decided it wouldn't hurt to ask, so I got on the horn with Zac, "Hey, Dundee has turned in his report. It is doable, but going to cost me a bit more than I expected. Still, everything seems good. I was wondering though if you would be willing to come down on the cash portion of your asking offer?"

Zac explained, "Well, I know you are an independent contractor and you have to watch your money. I know what it was like and now that I have more money than I know what to do with. It is sometimes hard for me to realized that. That was a rough number I threw out, without even looking at your place. There is really not much we need to do with your place, it is move-in ready for the most part. Liza and Amie might want to have the kitchen updated, but that would involve getting some new appliances. That pool of yours was a lot bigger than I was picturing and I didn't realize there were five bedrooms on the upper floor. Tell you what, why don't I meet you half-way and drop the cash offer to \$75,000."

I wasn't even sure if Zac was going to budge on the offer, so to cut that in half was great news. I noticed Andy and Lindsay were peering into my office from the library. I let Zac know, "Sounds good, send it to me in writing and I'll have Marc look it over before I give you a final decision. I need to go." I got off the phone with Zac and motioned The McGrawl's to come in. As they sat down I asked, "What's up?"

Lindsay explained, "It is about the Ashler Hills house. We don't feel right about it?"

This was not news I wanted to hear, but was not sure what she meant, "How so?"

Andy explained, "We want to contribute and we feel that \$25,000 would be a

good amount. You can look at it as if we are prepaying for 5-years rent. We can have the money transfer to you within 48-hours should you decided to accept Zac's offer."

I sat there for a moment thinking that in a matter of 10-minutes this new house went from me having to pay \$150,000 out-of-pocket to \$75,000 and now \$50,000. I knew even if I refused to take their money Lindsay would insist, "You really don't need to, but since you feel it is the right thing to do, I'll accept."

Lindsay smiled and for the first time in a long time thanked me. She did ask, "Have you made a decision yet?"

I told them, "Well, I just got the report in from Dundee on doing the new playroom or play loft. The bid was a little bit more than I was expecting because of all the electrical work. However, nothing unreasonable and looks like the Vinnie's job should almost cover that. So, I think so."

Lindsay was thrilled, "This is going to be so great. Thanks again."

During the next week Andy, Maya and I worked into the late evenings getting Vinnie's rewired since it was not something we could easily do during normal business hours. Since the POS registers ran off their own central server I did end up creating a subnet just for that system. While we did get the POS system up and running over the weekend we waited until Monday to make it live. Until I could get Laura out to install the tablet software, the staff would have still have to take their orders 'old school' style. Also that weekend, The Acme's moved out placing their belongings in a P.O.D.S. unit. They would be staying at a local resort for the next few weeks while we transitioned. The McGrawl's transferred their 'pre-paid rent' to my account and I transferred the \$75,000 to Zac. I had already had Anozira Movers come in and give me an estimate the week prior. They advised me it would take most of the day to get everything packed and then another day for the move, even if it was just up the road.

Dundee called me, "Hey Ron, we've got the demo done. I would like you to come on out so we can go over a few things."

I replied, "Should be able to get up there in the next hour." I arrived at the new house and headed up stairs. The first thing I noticed was the doors were missing to the room. I ask Dundee, "Your plan does include doors?"

Dundee explained, "We removed them for the demolition and it will make it easier for the trades to do their job. So, as you can see the wall is gone."

I noticed a partial wall in the center of the room, I asked Dundee, "Is that temporary?"

Dundee nodded, "Yep. We will be putting in a 4-inch by 8-inch column there to support the new header beam. Now, let's head over to the old bathroom." We walked to where the bathroom was and I noticed it was completely gutted. "So, we took everything out. This green outline shows where the new 'powder room' is going to be. You will have a new toilet and pedestal sink there. On the other-side of this 'hall' will be three dressing rooms. Now, at the end of the 'hall' will be an archway opening into the storage. Now, do you want this storage area to be assessable from within the playroom?"

I thought about our current layout, "As it is now the storage is on the way to the dressing rooms. What did you have in mind?"

Dundee offered a couple suggestions, "You can leave it enclosed, but you will have to come through this hall to get to your toys. I can leave it open, but that is going to limited the storage space. I might be able to put in a pocket door since a normal door is just not going to work within this configuration."

I walked around the area for a bit and reported back to Dundee, "A pocket door would work well. Keeps the storage separated from the rest of the playroom and gives us more storage space."

Dundee made note and let me know, "Okay, should be done this week. Good news is the plumbing is already done. Now that we know the layout of the dressing rooms and such I can get the electrician in here. Now, let's talk about flooring."

I told Dundee, "For the main play area we are going to need a couples inches of plywood sub-flooring for the equipment. Going to need something durable that is going to be able to withstand the equipment as well as the girls' and their heels. Especially Peaches and Sara they each have 6" stiletto ballet boots. As it is now we have concert but that is on the bottom floor."

Dundee made a suggestion, "Concert could be too heavy for this upper floor. Sounds like heavy duty porcelain tile would be good, it holds up better than ceramic tile. So once the trades are done and we get the Sheetrock up I can get my tile guru out here to lay the floor. He should be able to get it laid in one day, then allow it to set and cure over night. He will come back in late the next day and give it a good cleaning. You should be ready to go the next day."

Over the course of the week, the new play loft began to take shape. Dundee called me back in on Thursday to do a walk-thru. I came into the play loft to find Dundee, "Wow got a lot done. No flooring yet I see."

Dundee explained, "We want to make sure everything is good before we start on the flooring. So, let's start with the playroom itself. We have new pot lights and in both sections we put in extra air registers as well as two 52" ceiling fans in

brushed nickel. We will be replacing the standard single doors on each side with double doors. This will make it easier to bring your 'toys' into the room. Did you want those standard or French style?"

I informed Dundee, "Since the upstairs is going to be private...oh wait if Maya has parties...Better keep them as standard doors."

Dundee reminded me, "You still have plenty of light coming into the room with all those windows. Especially on the side that overlooks the pool. However, we can do frosted glass French Doors to let in the light but keep the area private. Okay, moving along let's head over to the storage area. We already have the cabinets and shelves in place. Here's the pocket door, works fairly well. Good so far?" I nodded 'yes'. Dundee continued, "Okay here is the 'L' hall. Three dressing rooms and a powder room."

I told Dundee, "Everything looks good. Now what?"

Dundee explained, "Now I call in the 'Tile Guru', he will get it all laid tomorrow. Saturday afternoon he will do a final cleaning and sealing. Sunday afternoon I should be able to hang your doors and the room will be ready for use by Monday morning. "

I commented, "Guess we can start the move. So, your work is done here, other than the doors?"

Dundee laughed, "Not exactly. I'll still be here the rest of the week, working on the McGrawl's new office. So I'll be around, just in the Guest Cottage or should we call it 'The McGrawl's Cottage'?"

Chapter 17: The Big Move & You Will Be Our First Guest

While Anozira Moving was going to be able to handle pretty much everything, the playroom I had Gary take care of. I called Anozira Moving and they told me they could have a packing crew out the next day and would do the move Saturday. I returned to the house to find Peaches by herself in the kitchen. I asked her, "Hey Peaches, where's Wynn?"

Peaches replied, "Market. She be back later. Maya with her."

Before I left I asked, "Need anything?"

Peaches replied, "No, good here."

I headed over to my office and got on the horn with Gary at his office. Lulu answered, "Acme Deer Valley."

She transfer me to Gary, "What's up Ron?"

I explained, "Dundee is wrapping up. He is going to get the 'Tile Guru' out tomorrow. Says the play loft should be ready by Monday. So, how do we want to do this?"

Gary explained, "May take a few trips with the Acme Truck, but shouldn't be too bad. The wheel breaks down into four sections plus the base. The oral chairs also break down. The only thing that is solid is that gynecological table. Oh boy, that is going to be a pain to get up the stairs."

I reminded him, "At least we don't have the caning platform anymore."

Gary was relieved, "Oh well then, the gynecological table will be easy. So when are you guys moving?"

I told him, "In theory this weekend. Anozira says they can have their packing crew out tomorrow and do the rest of the move the next day."

Gary laughed, "Wow, you know it seems like just yesterday I came out to your place for the first time."

I recalled, "Yep. I was still married to Martina and Sara was the maid. Heck you and Bunny were not even married yet. Hell, I didn't even know about Bunny or for that matter Bambi until you showed up that night with them hanging off of you."

Gary added, "Yeah, then I dropped the whole marriage thing on you. Going to miss having you close by. But, you will just be up the road."

I told him, "Yep. Maya told me the other night the association had finished the extension of Road Runner up there. No more having to go out to Pima. Well, I need to have a house meeting before dinner, I'll give you a call Sunday and let you know how things go." Since it was nearing 6:00 PM and I heard Maya and Sara in the Great Room, I got on the intercom, "House meeting, in the library now." Everyone had gathered in the library and I announced, "I'll keep this short as dinner is almost ready. The move is on! Anozira Movers will be out tomorrow to start packing everything. Anything you don't want packed by them bring down to the playroom. Your beds will be packed on Saturday morning when they start loading everything. We should be moved in by Saturday evening. Whatever is down in the playroom, Gary and I will bring over next week when we move the equipment. Okay I am done."

Peaches announced, "Dinner 5 minutes!"

My office line was ringing and the caller ID showed it was Dundee, "Hey Ron. Say,

did you need me to move your safe from your old office to your new office?"

I informed him, "No, Zac has one there already built into his office."

Dundee confirmed, "Okay, was just doing to install one for the McGrawl's so I thought I check."

After dinner everyone took down to the playroom a couple changes of clothes as well as the items they did not want packed. The next morning at 6:00 AM the Anozira Movers packing crew arrived. By that evening they had most everything packed, including our dishes. So for dinner, I decided we would take a field trip over to Vinnie's. I walked in to find Dianne at the front counter, "Ron, I wasn't expecting you."

I told her, "We are here for dinner, since the movers have packed the kitchen already!"

Dianne replied, "Well then, have a seat and we will be with you shortly."

I noticed she already had the TV's mounted, "I see you got the TVs up."

Diane informed me, "Yep, got the TVs mounted this morning."

The next morning at 7:00 Anozira Movers arrived with a large truck and four movers. By mid-morning they had nearly everything loaded. The only thing left was everyone's beds. I had already loaded up my office computer system into my Jeep earlier that morning. The movers announced they would be taking an hour for lunch and then would return to complete the move. After lunch they returned and got all the beds loaded into the truck. I told Sara, "You can go ahead take the Cruiser and follow me." The movers followed us up Road Runner into the Ashler Hills Estates. As half the crew started to get the trailer prepped for unloading the other half I took through the house explaining what was to go into to each room. As the afternoon turned into evening, the crew continued to unload everything.

Wynn and Peaches found me in my office as I was getting my computer systems setup. Wynn asked, "What do we want to do about dinner?"

I asked, "Have you located the kitchen items yet?"

Wynn told me, "Since those were one of the first things they loaded, no. I was thinking since we have the table we can eat here."

I replied, "Yea, but I really don't think we want to do pizza again."

Peaches replied, "I can grill."

I asked, "What are we going to eat off of and with?"

Wynn explained, "Since I need to go to the market anyway I can get some paper plates and plastic utensils."

I told them, "Good idea. By the way, get enough to feed the movers as well."

Peaches and Wynn left for the market. I headed upstairs to find the moving foreman. Upon seeing me he told me, "Looks like it is going to be at least another 2-3 hours. We are going to have to break for dinner soon though."

I informed him, "My maid and chef will be back a littler later and we will be grilling burgers and chicken. I told them to get plenty to feed you and your crew." I decided I better get the grill warmed up so it would be ready to go by the time Wynn and Peaches returned. Being it was only mid May the evenings were still cool. I opened the doors leading from the dining room to the covered Cabana. This house also had intercom system built-in and announced, "Dinner will be served in 10-minutes in the dining hall."

The seven of us plus the four movers all sat down at the grand table and ate dinner. The movers ate fairly quickly and returned back to work. Once they had left, I stood up holding my bottle of Dr. Pepper and announced, "Tonight we start a new chapter in our life. This is our new home and we are a big happy family!"

Peaches raised her cup, "All hail King Ron!" Everyone laughed and cheered. By 10:00 PM the last box had been unloaded and the movers started cleaning up. I went to my office and retrieved the cash for the foreman.

On my way back down I passed Sara along the way, "Hey Ron. I am going to be heading to bed soon as is most everyone else."

I told her, "I need to pay the movers then I am going to check on everybody and likely take a hot bath before going to bed." I kissed her good night and headed downstairs. I found the foreman and gave him the cash and he gave me a receipt then left with his crew.

Upon heading towards the kitchen, I found Wynn downstairs closing the doors to the cabana, "Oh hey Ron. Sara told me to tell you she was heading to bed. I am going to be retiring soon myself."

I told her, "Yeah, Sara passed me on my way down. I am going to check on the McGrawl's along with Maya and Peaches. Have a good night." I headed outside over to the McGrawl's cottage.

I rang their doorbell and Lindsay answered, "Hello Ron. Andy, we have a visitor!"

Andy walked in and I asked, "You two doing alright?"

Andy replied, "Given the mess right now, we are. Hopefully in a few days we will have this place unpacked."

I reminded them, "Breakfast in the main house around 8:00ish. Let me know if you need anything. I am going to check up on Maya and Peaches before heading to bed." They bided me a good night and I headed back into the main house.

I made my way upstairs and knocked on the door to the Blue Agave Suite. Both Maya and Peaches replied, "No one home!" I knocked again and Peaches opened the door with a grin and asked, "What part of no one home you no understand?"

I told her, "If no one is home...then why am I talking to you? Anyway, just wanted to make sure you two are doing okay."

Maya smiled, "Yes, we are fine. It is going to take a little time for us to get settled in, but I know we are going to like it here. Thanks Ron."

I headed over to the master suite and found Sara had already gotten a bath started. I asked, "Mind if I join you?"

Sara replied, "Not at all."

I stripped and climbed into the tub. Sara moved over next to me and started stroking my cock. I returned the favor by rubbing her pussy. This however did not last very long as both of us were very much tired. We climbed out, dried off and headed to bed. Seemed like we had just gone to sleep when Peaches announced over the intercom, "Breakfast, come now!" Sara and I dressed then headed downstairs. Everyone including the McGrawl's were already seated. Upon our entrance Peaches commented, "Just in time. Andy almost got it all!"

We spent nearly the entire day getting the house unpacked. After lunch I decided to give Laura a call. After her Minnie Pearle greeting I informed her of the job, "So, Dianne with Vinnie's has decided to move into the 21st Century. Much like we did with Corona de las Estrella's, they are going to be using tablets for their servers. They also want to have a dynamic menu board."

Laura was unclear about this, "What is that?"

I explained, "You know how we did the slide shows for Boots Chugwater and The Budget Holstein Oro Valley, well same idea except it will likely be static. I think though the third TV will be a slide show for the current specials and features. Nothing all that difficult. In fact, there is only going to be a couple computers. But, there are going to be several tablets."

Laura asked, "When does she need this done?"

I told her, "Well, they already moved and opened in the new location. As Diane and Maya put it, they can continue operating in the 'dark ages' but would like to have this new system up and running soon."

Laura replied, "Well, let me see here, Sounds like it *should* be fairly simple that I can fly in during the afternoon and fly out by next morning. Got room in your house for me, I know you are tight on space."

I explained, "Not anymore."

Laura wonder, "What happened? Kicked out Andy and Lindsay or was it Maya and Peaches?"

I laughed and reminded her, "If I kicked out Andy and Lindsay, Sara would have my head. As far as Maya and Peaches goes, they are doing well. Which reminds me, Peaches is doing the site and the menu board pages for Vinnie's."

Laura joked, "You've got some competition now!"

I told her, "Truth be told, it is welcomed. Web design is not really my thing anymore. Anyway when can you come out here and be the first guest in our new house?"

Laura was too busy checking her calendar, "Well given the simplicity of this job I could be out next Friday, if you don't mind Miss Kitty coming along and stay the weekend."

I was amazed that she blew off the entire 'new house' comment, "Sure, you can bring Miss Kitty plenty of room in *this* place."

Laura confirmed, "Okay, we'll fly into Deer Valley via Desert West. I can get the job done Saturday morning. I am sure you will have some kind of Shin Dig planned for Saturday night. Sunday her and I can go shopping in Old Town Scottsdale."

I concurred, "Saturday would be a great night to have a Shin Dig. Thanks for the idea."

As I walked out my office in search of Wynn or Sara, I couldn't help but notice how empty the new great room was. Even with the over-sized sectional as well as some of the furniture from the old house, it was still empty. I would have to figure out what to do with that space at some point. Sara walked in and commented, "You look lost."

I told her, "Yeah, lost in thought." I pointed to the vast emptiness in the Great Room, "Trying to figure out what we could do to fill in this big empty space in here."

Sara looked around as well and commented, "Hmm...I might have something. I'll get back to you later about that."

Chapter 18: Yes, We're Open! & The Big Unveiling

Monday morning, everyone resumed their normal routine. Dundee was working over in the McGrawl's Cottage getting their new office ready. Gary and I spent the next couple evenings moving the playroom equipment from one house to the other. We recruited Peaches the second night as she had nothing better to do and we could use her strength. Gary wasn't so sure, "She doesn't look that strong Ron."

I informed him, "When we were in Oro Valley during Easter she carried Maya out of Corona de las Estrella's into the Pink Monster about 20 feet away."

Peaches bragged, "Maya has us do fire-woman workout."

Gary laughed, "Okay if you say so. I suppose we should tackle the gynecological table now." Getting it *out* of the playroom was the easy part, lifting it on to the ACME Truck was going to be a challenge. Surprisingly, it was not as difficult as we had thought it would be. "Well, that was easier than I thought."

I reminded him, "Don't forget we need to carry it *up* the stairs at the new place."

Gary gave us a dirty look and Peaches giggle, "Think you popped his bubble!"

I corrected her, "Burst...*burst* his bubble, but yes you are right. Okay, let get the wheel and the cage loaded up as well."

Peaches saw the cage, "I don't remember this."

I explained, "We got it along with the wheel right after you and Maya came back. We haven't used the playroom since we had the last play night that didn't work out so well." I turned to Gary, "By the way, thank you for your suggestion about doing the threesomes, it worked well."

Peaches was looking at the cage with great interest. She turned to Gary, "Would Maya, Lindsay fit inside?"

Gary asked, "Both of them? They should it is very roomy in there."

Peaches had a wicked smile on her face, "Oh goody....we talk later."

Gary and I weren't quite sure what to make of this sudden change in Peaches. By the end of the evening we had everything in place and the play loft would be ready for a grand revealing....soon. It was just a matter of when. I headed upstairs to take a hot shower, but Peaches and Gary stayed outside and talked for a bit.

Wednesday morning during breakfast Lindsay announced, "Today we open the Fort McDowell store with Dunn Brooks as store manager."

I was shocked, "Wow, didn't think I would ever hear those words. Congratulations!"

Andy joked, "We should have party to celebrate."

I replied with a straight face, "Actually we are, on Saturday."

Sara asked, "How did you know they would be opening the store?"

I explained, "I didn't this was more for the completion of the 'Vinnie's 2.0' project and of course the new house."

Maya reminded me, "But 'Vinnie's 2.0' as you call it, isn't done yet."

I told her, "It will be Saturday morning. Laura and Miss Kitty are coming in on Friday afternoon for the weekend. By the way, Laura seems clueless about the new place, even though I did mention it to her." Turning my attention to Andy and Lindsay, "You two need any help with the new store?"

Lindsay smiled, "We thought you would never ask. Yes, if you don't mind."

I reminded them, "Not at all. Given the response you got with Far North Scottsdale I am sure you could use the extra help."

The three of us left and headed to the store. While it was nothing like the first day of the Far North Scottsdale store, there were a handful of people already there. We walked into the back and I was amazed and what Dundee had done with the place, "Wow. Dundee really fixed this place up nice."

Dunn Brooks walked over, "Morning Ron. Yep, thanks for recommending him. Okay kids we ready?"

Andy looked at Lindsay who was smiling from ear to ear, "Let's do this!"

The majority of the customers were just looking, but some were coming in for simple repairs and upgrades. A couple of people were looking for peripherals.

Towards the end of the day an older lady walked in and asked, "You build computers?"

Lindsay replied, "Yes, we do." She handed the lady a flier, "What do you need?"

She replied, "I am running a non-profit community center for the Fort McDowell Indian Community. We recently received a grant and I would like to add or more like replace some of our aging computers." She studied the flier for a moment, "Looks like the Economy system would do us good. Can we negotiate a discount if I order say 10?"

Lindsay informed her, "I'll need to run that by my husband Andy. He stepped out for a moment, but will back shortly."

The representative replied, "I see, I suppose I can wait for a little bit. I suppose I should introduce myself as well. I'm Bonnie Walker, I run the Fort McDowell Community Center."

Lindsay shook her hand, "Lindsay. Lindsay McGrawl, co-owner of PC's and Things." She then pointed to me, "This here is Ron Merlot, a good friend of ours. He does independent computer and network projects and helps us out once in a while. And hiding over at the upgrade counter is Dunn Brooks, store manager." Dunn popped his head up for a second and waived. Andy walked in and Lindsay grabbed him, "Andy this is Bonnie Walker, she operates the Fort McDowell Community Center. She would also like to get 10 economy systems built."

Bonnie greet Andy, "Pleasure to meet you. I also have some older computers that I am hoping we might be able to squeeze another six months or so out of at the Community Center."

Andy asked, "How old are these computers?"

Bonnie replied, "Some are about 5-years old. That was the last time I got a grant."

Dunn commented, "If they are only 5-years old, good chance we can get a couple more years out of them."

Andy added, "Yep, may just need a simple tune up and some minor over-hauling inside."

Bonnie asked, "What kind of a discount can I get on 10 economy systems?"

Andy informed her, "None really. We are selling those almost at cost. However, tell you what in regards to your existing systems Ron and I can come out and take a look those at no charge, you just pay for the parts."

Lindsay asked, "Could you allow us to post and/or leave our fliers at your community center?"

Bonnie replied, "For what you are willing to do to help us out, you certainly may. When would you two be able to come out?"

Andy asked, "Ron?"

I told him, "I pretty much open, no major projects right now."

Andy asked, "How about we come out tomorrow and do the triage? Then on Friday we can make the repairs on site."

Bonnie was thrilled, "That works for me. Let me give you the address."

Upon arriving home Wednesday, I discovered Laura had sent me an email 'Miss Kitty and I will be coming to Deer Valley around 2:00 PM on Friday on Desert West's new Leer Fleet."

The following day Andy and I diagnosed and made notes about the existing 10 computers. 3 were not working, but they appeared to be simple fixes such as replacing the power supply and reloading Windows. They all needed some housekeeping hardware and software wise. Bonnie explained, "We have an agreement with Qwest that they will take care of our networking needs, as long as we provide the computers. But, they said they can't help us getting the computers to work. So, I am glad you two can take care of this."

Friday morning before Andy and I headed back to the Community Center I informed Wynn, "Hey Miss Kitty and Laura are suppose to be coming in today. I am going to be at the Fort McDowell Community Center with Andy most of the day. I am hoping you can go pick them up at Deer Valley Airport?"

I was not aware Peaches had come down the stairs, "Maya and I get her."

Wynn replied, "Good, because I still have a lot to do with this here kitchen to get ready for the big Shin-Dig tomorrow."

I turned around, "Um okay sure. They are coming in at 2:00 PM, so you need to leave here a little after 1:00 PM. I have a map of the Airpark in my office."

Wynn assured me, "I'll get one for them, you and Andy go and do your philanthropic magic." Andy and I stopped over at the Fountain Hills store first to get some parts then went to the Community Center.

Around 11:00 Maya came into the kitchen and asked Wynn, "You've seen Ron?"

Wynn told her, "He left with Andy earlier this morning to do some work at the Fort McDowell Community Center. What's up?"

Maya explained, "I am going into Vinnie's early today as I am taking tomorrow night off."

Wynn asked, "Weren't you and Peaches going to pickup Laura and Miss Kitty?"

Maya realized she had over committed herself, "Crap! Oh yea...Well I am sure Peaches can still get her. She knows her way around this area fairly well now. In fact she does know where the Airpark is as she drove me out there to Gary's place to get fitted and picked up her new belt..." Maya sighed, "...and had thigh bands added to mine."

Wynn giggled, "So that is why you've been wearing long skirts around the house."

Maya laughed, "Yep. At least she removes the bloody things so I can wear my work shorts. I should have never shown her my belt when we came back from Chugwater. Oh well, keeps things interesting." Maya left for work.

Peaches came downstairs slowly dressed in a corset, long skirt, white stockings and 6-inch knee high ballet boots. Maya had returned the favor with Peaches by putting her in a belt with thigh bands and plugs. She asked, "Madam Wynn? Where is airport?"

Wynn explained, "Very close to Gary's shop. Here's a map." She pointed to the map, "There's Gary's shop and there is the airport terminal. They will be arriving on Desert West Airlines. You will need to park on the north side of the terminal."

Peaches seemed to have her bearings down, "Okay. So Laura Merlot and Miss Kitty."

Wynn informed her, "Actually I think Laura goes by Lynette's or Miss Kitty's last name now, Myers. By the way, I don't think I know your real name."

Peaches explained, "Anna Natasha Adela Cruz. 'Peaches' my stage name."

Wynn commented, "Much like 'Miss Kitty' is Lynette's stage name." She happened to notice Peaches' boots, "How the hell can you walk in those things?"

Peaches laughed, "I wore all time when I did fetish modeling."

Wynn laughed, "Well okay then. You better be going. Here take this cell phone in case you run into any troubles." Wynn handed Peaches a 'burner' cell phone.

Peaches took the phone and bowed, "Thank you Madam Wynn!"

Wynn unsure what to do, but to return the bow and thought to herself she really needs to loosen up Peaches.

Since Andy and I took the Cruiser, Peaches took the Jeep. She arrived at the Airport a few minutes before two and headed into the terminal. She found the Desert West gates and took a seat on a nearby bench so she could see the passengers exiting the gates. Peaches was so proud of herself for getting this far and then she realized she had only seen Laura in Chugwater and then again briefly with Miss Kitty during dinner on Easter Sunday. In fact, she had spent most of that night in the lounge trying to calm Maya down. She was getting worried now and was about to use the burner phone when she heard someone call out her name.

It was Laura, "Peaches? That you?"

Peaches replied, "Laura Myers?"

Laura walked towards Peaches with Miss Kitty following her, "What are you doing here?"

Peaches explained, "Ron and Andy do work for Indians. Wynn get kitchen ready for party."

Miss Kitty asked, "Ron is working for The Indians now?"

Laura laughed, "Not sure. May be something to do with the McGrawl's future Fort McDowell store." She turned around to say something to Peaches then noticed Peaches had stood up and was much taller than her. Laura looked up and replied, "Wow, I don't recall you being so tall."

Peaches laughed, "Ballet boots!"

Laura looked over and saw indeed Peaches was wearing ballet boots, "Oh wow. I could never do that, tried back in my younger days. Anyway, we have our bags and are ready, lead the way."

Peaches bowed, took the ladies' bags and replied, "Yes Madam Laura." Peaches walked out the terminal to the Jeep and loaded the ladies' bags in the back. She even opened the doors for them as well.

Miss Kitty commented, "Sophie should take lessons from her!"

Peaches made her way out of the Airpark and on to the Pima Freeway. Laura and Miss Kitty talked amongst themselves for most of the trip. Peaches exited the

freeway and headed north on the Pima Highway. As they passed the turn-off for Desert Oasis Parkway Laura commented, "I believe you may have missed the turn off there."

Peaches informed her, "We not live there now."

Laura was a bit confused, "What do you mean?"

Peaches felt it was easier to show them than to explain, "You see." She approached Westland drive and made a right into the Ashler Hills Estates. Part of the annexation agreement in to the Desert Oasis Association included allowing Desert Oasis residents to use their gate remotes at the Westland Drive entrance. Peaches pressed the button on the remote drove through the gates and around the golf course to the garage on the east side of the house. Peaches announced, "Here we are!"

Miss Kitty asked Laura, "Ron bought another house?"

Laura was just as confused as Miss Kitty, "Not sure, not really sure." Peaches got out of the Jeep and retrieved the ladies' bags then opened the doors for them. She lead them into the house. As they walked past the laundry room into the kitchen, Laura was relieved when she saw Wynn in the kitchen, "Okay, this must be the right place."

Wynn walked over and hugged Laura, "I take it Ron didn't mention we had moved."

Laura vaguely remember a comment I had made, "You know he did say something about first guests and new house."

Peaches asked Wynn, "Are they in the Copper Queen or Cholla Suite?"

Wynn explained, "Family can stay in the Cholla, non-family guests in the Copper Queen except guest's of Maya whom will stay in the Palo Verde suite. Oh, Peaches, Gary dropped off a package for you. I put it up in your room."

Peaches turned to Wynn and bowed, "Thank you Madam Wynn." She turned to Miss Kitty and Laura, "Follow me ladies." She led Laura and Miss Kitty upstairs to the Cholla Suite. She informed them, "Here your room. Wynn and I downstairs."

Laura thanked Peaches, "Okay. Thank you dear." After Peaches left she turned to Miss Kitty, "I still have no idea what is going on. I suppose Wynn may be able to fill us in." After setting their bags down and using the bathroom they headed downstairs.

Wynn saw them come in and asked Laura, "Want some Vodka Laura?"

Laura smiled, "You know me well, please. Miss Kitty will have a Gin and Tonic." Wynn headed over to the wet bar and mixed the drinks. Laura noticed Wynn seemed to be doing a lot better than she last saw her, "You seem to be getting around better than the last time I saw you."

Wynn laughed, "Yeah. I was on crutches when you saw me last down in Oro Valley. How you two doing?"

Laura replied, "We are doing well. So, tell me when did Ron get this place and why?"

Wynn explained, "Odd story about that. Gary actually approached Ron about this place. It use to belong to Zac Acme former owner of Acme BDSM and Gary's former business partner. Zac wanted to get some place a little smaller now that he has retired. He has a wife and several kids, two of which are still living with him right now. From what Ron had told me he wasn't even going to consider getting another house. But once Gary showed this house to him and was able to get Ron to visualize the potential. Ron did have Dundee do some major work upstairs to convert a couple bedrooms and bathroom into a play loft. Of course I fell in love with this kitchen and we love the huge Cabana and pool. Go on out to the Great Room and see for yourselves."

Laura and Miss Kitty headed into the dining portion of the Great Room. Upon seeing the table Miss Kitty joked, "This thing looks like it belongs in a castle."

Wynn added, "I keep telling Ron he needs to get a suit of armor for the corner and some tapestries for the wall. Let me open up these doors so we can head out to the Cabana." Wynn opened the giant sliding doors and the three of them stepped out on to the Cabana.

Laura noticed the guest cottage and asked, "What's that building across the way?"

Wynn informed her, "Oh that? That's the McGrawl's Cottage."

Laura laughed, "Cottage? They have their own cottage..."

Wynn explained, "Yep. Use to belong Zac's nanny. The McGrawl's sleep and work from there. They spend most of the time in the main house though. This seems to be working out for them okay. Gives them a little privacy when they need it, but they still can interact with the rest of the family. "

Miss Kitty asked, "So did Ron sell the other house?"

Wynn replied, "Sort of. He actually swapped houses with Zac Acme and paid him

the difference.”

Laura asked, “How far are we from the old house?”

Wynn explained, “Not very far. We are about 1/8 of mile north-northwest. This is still part of the community. Actually, it was annexed into the community back on March 1st. Guess the association wanted a golf course and the Ashler Hills Estate residents were getting tired of footing the entire bill for the golf course.”

Miss Kitty commented, “Makes sense. Spread out the cost over more residents, thus lowering the cost for the existing residents. Kind of surprised though that the rest of the residents of the association approved this.”

Wynn added, “From what I understood the association fee for the existing Desert Foothills Community went up by 2.5%. Plus now the residents have exclusive access to a golf course right in their own backyards.”

Laura asked, “Peaches mentioned something about Ron working for the Indians?”

Wynn explained, “Ah yes, he and Andy are doing some charitable work for the Fort McDowell Indian Community Center. From what he told me the center got a grant and they are using the money to get some new computers and repair the existing computers. They should be back this evening. Maya is doing a double shift. Lindsay is with Dunn Brooks at their new Fort McDowell store, but should be returning home shortly.”

Miss Kitty commented, “So, they finally did open Fort McDowell.”

Wynn laughed, “We didn't know anything about it until Wednesday during breakfast when Lindsay made the announcement.”

Laura asked, “Speaking of Lindsay, how she doing?”

Wynn advised, “She seemed to have recovered fairly well. Things were a bit rough when we returned from Oro Valley for a couple weeks. It is still an adjustment and a lot has happened in the past couple months. Heck we've only been in the house since Saturday. I still need to get things prepped so I am going to head back inside. You two can stay out here if you like.”

Miss Kitty and Laura sat out on the Cabana and chatted. Lindsay came home early and after stopping in the cottage to change she headed over to the main house. As she passed the Cabana she noticed Laura and Miss Kitty, “Hey you two made it. Let me grab a drink and I'll join you two...if that is alright.”

Laura replied, “Yes. That would be fine.” Lindsay went into the kitchen and fixed herself a Mojito and then joined Laura and Miss Kitty on the cabana. Laura broke

the ice, "Looks like both you and Wynn are doing a lot better since we last saw you two."

Lindsay really didn't want to bring up the events of the past, but of respect, "Yes, we both have fully healed. It has been a rough time for me this past month as there was a lot of tension between me and Maya. I think things are working out better now..."

Laura changed the subject, "So I hear you got the Fort McDowell store opened now."

Lindsay replied, "Yea. I am so glad we were able to get Dunn Brooks for this store. We wanted him for Fountain Hills, but he had ran off to Wyoming. At least we were able to get Zina."

Laura asked, "Who manages your Scottsdale store?"

Lindsay sipped her drink, "Max or Doyle does. They use to be at the PC's and Things down in Ahwatukee, Ron's old supplier. So what do y'all think of the new compound?"

Miss Kitty replied, "We were wondering where Peaches was taking us. This place looks so much bigger than the old one."

Laura added, "I suppose your cottage has a lot to do with that."

Lindsay laughed, "Well there is that. But the place over all is bigger. It is about an acre lot and the great room is huge, especially the dining hall."

Laura commented, "Wynn mentioned that Ron had Dundee build a new play loft."

Lindsay replied, "Yep and Dundee did our office and store too. Though, haven't seen the play loft yet. Gary and Ron have been moving stuff over little by little each night. Besides I don't go upstairs much as we spend most of our free time in the great room or out here."

Peaches came out and joined the girls on the cabana. Peaches and Miss Kitty chatted with each other in Hungarian. Laura looked over to Lindsay, "Sometimes I wish I knew another language."

Lindsay giggled and commented, "Well, I do speak some Mandarin, mostly the naughty words. A 'bad habit' Andy says I had picked up from my days at *The Pussy Cat Lounge*."

Laura laughed, "Well, in that case I suppose I could say I know some Spanish..."

Andy and I wrapped up at the Fort McDowell Community Center, I phoned the house and Wynn answered, "Hey Wynn, who all is there?"

Wynn looked out, "Looks like Lindsay, Peaches, Laura and Miss Kitty on the cabana."

Somehow I had totally forgotten about Laura coming in, "Oh yea Laura and Miss Kitty are coming today. How goes the kitchen?"

Wynn replied, "Still have a lot of work to do. Perhaps you could grill tonight or take out from Vinnie's."

I replied, "Vinnie's would work. Maya around?"

Wynn told me, "No, she is working a double shift today to cover for taking tomorrow night off."

I advised Wynn, "Okay, I'll stop over there on the way home and order us some grub." I wrapped up with Andy who was going to stay at the store late with Dunn to do inventory.

Andy told me, "I already told Lindsay when she called me from the house. Dunn will drop me off when we are done."

I left the store and headed over to Vinnie's. I walked into find the place packed. Maya just happened to come in the door, "Hey Ron, what ya doing here?"

As usual I gave a smart ass answer, "Ordering pizza."

Maya laughed, "I think we have done this song and dance before. How many people are we feeding tonight?"

I told her, "Well Laura and Miss Kitty have arrive, but Andy won't be back until late. Him and Dunn are doing inventory tonight."

Maya did the math in her head, "Well if you add me but deduct two for Andy...okay. Anything special?"

I told her, "Party platters, I don't know surprise me."

Maya warned me, "Are you sure you want me to do that, you might not like what I show up with." I looked at Maya oddly, she laughed, "Okay, just kidding. Looks like I'll be getting off soon, so I'll make you my 'last delivery' should be about 30-minutes."

Chapter 19: Breaking In A New Loft

I headed home and walked into the kitchen to find Wynn still working on the kitchen. I joked, "Are you sure this will be ready tomorrow?"

She looked at me and replied, "No, but since you and Peaches will be grilling tomorrow...but yes it is almost done."

I headed out to the Cabana and noticed Laura had gone back to her red hair and this time was not in a dress, but rather shorts. I walked out and asked, "So, I take it Laura has been behaving herself?"

Peaches looked up and asked, "How you tell?"

Miss Kitty explained, "Well, as Ron deduced, Laura is not in a dress."

Laura laughed, "Geez, I wear a dress once and it becomes a big deal."

I reminded her, "Not so much that you were wearing a dress, but rather *why* you were wearing a dress."

Peaches innocently asked, "Why was she?"

Laura replied, "Because I was misbehaving."

Miss Kitty egged on Laura, "But, *why* did you *have* to wear a dress?"

Laura sighed, "Because I had to wear thigh-bands. Happy?"

Peaches turned to Miss Kitty, "Works well, used them on Maya...and she using on me." Peaches lifted her skirt to reveal her white fishnets and the steel bands locked around her thighs connected by a short chain.

I looked at Peaches and asked laughing, "Maya? That would explain why she has been wearing long skirts lately." I noticed her boots, "Hey, I didn't know you wore ballet boots."

Peaches got up and approached me, and I am not sure why but I backed away. She asked, "Can I see you in office?"

I told her, "Sure." I had no idea why she wanted to see me, but I will always be there for my 'family'.

Peaches and I headed into the office. She sat on a sofa and I sat next to her. She asked, "When we use play loft?"

I thought for a moment, "Well...seeing as most everyone is going to here tonight.

Maya should be here soon with pizza. Andy won't be back to very late. We could use it tonight."

Peaches had a wicked smile on her face, "Can I be Mistress?"

I asked, "Of whom?"

She replied, "All. You can help. I have some new toys." She got up and told me, "Come." We headed upstairs and to the girls' party room. She opened the closet, "I put these here. Maya won't find." She pulled out a package with an ACME shipping label addressed to 'Peaches' (no last name). She opened the box and pulled out a couple force orgasm belts along with a couple Hitachi Magic Wands (vibrators). She explained, "These for Lindsay and Maya while in cage."

I asked, "How are you going to keep them for turning off the wands?"

Peaches thought for a moment, "Cuff their hands behind?"

I replied, "They won't be able to turn off their own, but they could turn off the others'."

Peaches was a little disappointed, "Sounded good on paper."

I laughed, "*Looked*, Looked good on paper. Hey I got an idea...straitjackets, they will have no use of their arms or hands."

Peaches laughed, "You evil Ron. Good idea. What should they wear?"

I explained, "Since they are going to be in those heavy leather straitjackets, leotard and pantyhose would work. Do you know what you are going to do with the others?"

Peaches had thought this through, "Your sister on wheel. Miss Kitty can domme her. Sara with Wynn on table."

I joked, "Sara would get off 'too easy' just eating Wynn. Need to torture her as well."

Peaches frowned, "Only have two belts and wands."

I thought for a moment, "I got it. The magic bullet, but set to very low."

Peaches asked, "What magic bullet?"

I told her, "It is a very versatile vibrating egg that is placed in her pussy. I used it on her during our honeymoon and it drove her crazy. But, by setting it on very

low, it just going to keep her on edge. She will have her hands restrained to her sides and I'll make sure she can't get to the remote." I realized that Gary had made a special bodysuit straitjacket prototype for Sara while back to model...."Oh wait, I've got something 'special' for Sara that Gary made a while back. Oh she is going to be so wet and so on edge! Okay, I think we have all that covered. Do you have an outfit in mind?"

Peaches slowly walked over to her and Maya's suite and went into the closet. She pulled out a red and black form fitting leather bodysuit, "Black tights and red boots. Maya's boots."

I told Peaches, "Okay sounds good I'll make an announcement when we Maya gets back." We headed downstairs. Wynn was getting the dining hall prepped for Maya's arrival with our feast. In the meantime, I needed to get on the horn with Gary. I walked over to my office and reached Gary, "Hey, I going to get Sara into that straitjacket bodysuit you gave a me a while back."

Gary replied, "Ah, good. Been wanting to get some photos of that in action. Hey, I have a little 'addition', a pair of dildo panties that will work well."

That would be quite interesting but that could mess up my using the magic bullet, "I had planned on using the magic bullet in her pussy though."

Gary replied, "Okay in that case, I'll bring the pair that has a small void in the vaginal dildo. You place the magic bullet in there. I am on my way out of the office, so I'll drop those off for you."

Wynn and Peaches announced on the intercom, "Dinner is being served. Come now or be hungry."

I headed over to the dining hall and waited for everyone to sit down. I explained, "Okay, so tonight we unveiling the new play loft. Your dungeon Mistress tonight will be Peaches." Both Maya and Lindsay looked at each others in terror, as if only they knew what they were going to be in for tonight. "After dinner, will Lindsay and Maya please take care of the dishes. Sara, Wynn and I need to do a quick photo shoot. Peaches will be getting the play loft prepped for her subs tonight which are Sara, Wynn, Lindsay and Maya. Miss Kitty you get to do whatever you want to Laura on our new bondage wheel. You two can come over to the presentation room after dinner and pick out some outfits. More directions after dinner."

Once again it was either a matter of everyone being hungry or wanting to play, but the pizza was gone in about 20-minutes (had Andy been there it would have been gone a lot sooner). Lindsay and Maya started collecting the dishes, but I asked them to wait, "Hold off, let me give the rest of the directions. Lindsay and Maya please change into a leotard and pantyhose along with shoes that will be

easy to remove. Wynn snap crotch bodysuit and crotchless pantyhose. Sara, give yourself an enema then put on a robe. Bring a pair of stockings, waist cincher and shoes of your choice. Only put on the shoes and stockings."

Sara asked, "Am I going to be standing, sitting or what?"

I explained, "You will be standing during the photo-shoot, but once we are done you will be sitting most of the evening. Okay Lindsay and Maya you can go ahead and get these dishes taken care of. Be down....err up...in the play loft in about 30-minutes"

Sara went off to the master bath to give herself an enema. Meanwhile, Peaches headed up to the play loft to get stuff prepped. Miss Kitty, Laura and I headed over to the Presentation Room. While Laura and Miss Kitty were looking through the outfits I got my camera equipment setup. Lindsay paged me over the intercom, "Ron, Gary dropped off a package for you."

I replied back, "Have Wynn bring it over." I was also looking in the closet and asked Laura, "Have you seen a white latex bodysuit with long sleeves?"

She pushed a few outfits out of the way and handed me the bodysuit, "Looking for this?"

I replied, "Yes, thanks." I grabbed a bottle of lube for the dildo panties. The magic bullet was up in the play loft, but I wouldn't need it yet. Wynn walked in wearing a purple sleeveless leotard and black pantyhose. She handed me the package from Gary and I complimented her, "Nice outfit." Turning my attention to Laura and Miss Kitty, "You two about done?"

Laura replied, "I think so, where do we change?"

I explained, "Go up the kitchen stairs like you are going to your room. Across the hall from your bathroom is a set of frosted glass double doors. Go inside and make a right. Follow the hall and you will find the dressing rooms." The two of them left and Sara entered wearing nothing but her robe and pair of stockings. I opened the manila envelope, "Great. Let me get this lubed." Sara's eye's widened when she saw the dildo panties. I handed the bottle to Wynn and instructed her, "Make sure both her holes are good and lubed." Wynn took the bottle and applied generous amounts of lube into Sara's pussy and asshole. I handed the panties to Sara and instructed, "Put these on." Sara carefully line up the two dildos with her holes and managed to get both of them inside of her. I handed her the waist cincher and she put that on. I asked Sara to walk to the center of the room.

Every step caused the dildos to move inside of her, "My god this thing is pure torture!"

I laughed, "You don't yet know what torture is!" I handed her the straitjacket bodysuit, "Here step into this and then put your arms in. Wynn will help you, I need to start taking pictures." Sara was able to squeeze in the bodysuit and Wynn zipped the back up. I was taking photos and directed Sara, "Turn around slowly." Sara slowly made a full circle. I told Wynn, "Go ahead and get her arms secured." In a matter of a couple minutes Sara's arms were restrained and she was now trapped in the latex straitjacket bodysuit wearing a pair of dildo panties and a waist cincher. I took a few more pictures before letting her know, "Okay we are done here. Lets head up to the play loft."

Sara was doing fairly well, until the stairs then the dildos really started moving inside of her. We made into the play loft and saw Peaches on the one end with the straitjackets, forced orgasm belts and wands laid out on top of the cage. I pointed to the table and informed Wynn, "You will be on the receiving end, the straitjacket and collar are under the table." While Wynn was getting ready I headed over to the closet and grabbed a blindfold and the magic bullet along with a set of ankle cuffs. I returned and saw Wynn had already put on the collar and was starting to put on the straitjacket. I reminded her, "This will be easier if you are already sitting on the table." Wynn got up on the table. Meanwhile I directed Sara to sit while I cuffed her left ankle then wrapped the chain around the base of the stool and then cuffed her right ankle. I walked over to Wynn adding the blindfold. I did up the straps on the straitjacket and then made sure her neck was lined up correctly with the clasp. I had her lean back and heard the click as the D-ring of the collar set into the clasp. Next I removed her shoes and secure her feet into the stirrups.

I turned my attention to Sara and reminded her, "I mentioned earlier 'You don't yet know what is torture', well now you are about to find out." I walked over and opened the zipper of her bodysuit and placed the magic bullet inside the void of the vaginal dildo. I closed the zipper nearly all the way, just enough was left open to allow for the cord to stick out. After unsnapping Wynn's bodysuit crotch, I told her, "Get to work on Wynn." Sara started eating Wynn, while wondering what I had in-store for her. I turned on the magic bullet to the super low setting, leaving Sara to take care of Wynn. Sara quickly discovered what I meant as she squirmed against vibrations of the magic bullet thus causing the dildos to move about inside of her.

Miss Kitty walked in a solid black sleeveless Capri length unitard with what appeared to be a footed long sleeve body stocking on underneath. Laura was on a leash and still in her belt along with a corset and Capri pants. After getting Laura strapped to the wheel she came over and asked, "Do you have a cat-of-nine-tails or a whip or riding crop?"

I informed her pointing towards the dressing rooms, "Take a look over in the storage closet, there should be a wide assortment of whipping instruments over in there."

Lindsay and Maya came in as they were instructed wearing pantyhose and leotards. I told them, "Let's walk on over to Peaches, she has some toys for you two." I walked over with them and asked Peaches, "How do you want to do this?"

Peaches replied, "Think the belts should go first. Then jackets."

I concurred, "Okay that will work." I noticed the wands were electric and we would need an extension cord, "Looks like we will need an extension cord for the wands, I think there is one in the closet, I can go grab it after we get these two ready."

Peaches handed the forced orgasm belts to Lindsay and Maya, "Put these on!"

As the two girls were putting on the belts, Lindsay looked up at Maya and whispered, "Any idea what they have in store for us?"

Maya shook her head, "No. I think I created a monster."

Lindsay giggled, "You keep saying that."

Peaches shouted, "SILENCE!" as I headed over to the storage room to grab a heavy duty extension cord. I returned to Peaches who instructed me, "I do Big Slave (this seemed to have become Maya's nickname around Peaches). You do the chatty one!" Peaches took a deep breath, "Much better. Let's do smaller slave now." Peaches removed a black straitjacket from atop of the cage while holding it open she asked, "Lindsay, come here." Lindsay walked towards the jacket putting her arms into the sleeves. I fitted the jacket over Lindsay's shoulders and then did up the straps in the back and across her crotch. Peaches secured Lindsay's arms. We repeated the process for Maya. Peaches turned to me pointing to Maya, "Help her into cage." She handed me one of the magic wands, "Put this in place."

I took Maya's arm and guided her, "This way please." Once we got to the entrance of the cage I told her, "You will need to kneel and kinda crawl in. Go all the way to the end Lindsay is going to be in there with you. Maya was a bit surprised as she wasn't expecting both of them to be in the cage. Maya made her way to the end of the cage and I crawled in behind her. I turned Maya so she faced the entrance to the cage thus giving her a chance to stretch her legs out in front of her. I attached the magic wand to her force orgasm belt, threading the power cord out the side of the cage. As I backed out of the cage I ordered Lindsay, "Stay!"

Peaches smiled, "Good. Now lets get Chatty Slave ready." We repeated the process for Lindsay. This time around though, Peaches led her into the cage. Peaches noticed how much space was in the cage and had an evil idea, "Ron I stay here. Control the wands."

I laughed and was impressed with her idea, "Keep them on edge, I like it."

Peaches moved to the center of the cage so she was between Maya and Lindsay. She sat cross legged. I was concerned her legs would get tired, but it appeared there was enough room for her tall but slender figure that she could move her legs. I guided Lindsay into the cage and positioned her with her back to the entrance. I told her, "Once I close the door, you can lean back on it for support." I handed Lindsay's wand to Peaches, "Since you are not doing anything."

Peaches laughed, "I'm supervising!" She took the wand from me and attached it into Lindsay's belt. She then threaded the power cord through the bars.

I made sure Lindsay was far enough into the cage before closing the door. I set the bolt and placed a padlock through the end. I walked over and plugged in the wands into the extension cord. I gave the thumbs up to Peaches, "You're all set. I am going to go get my camera and check on the rest of the slaves."

I walked over to the wheel to see Miss Kitty had Laura blindfolded, but not gagged. Miss Kitty was using a cat-of-nine tails on Laura when she saw me, "You know Laura, does not have one of these."

Being a smart ass I replied, "What a bondage wheel."

Miss Kitty laughed, "I meant the cat, but she does not have a wheel either." She looked around and asked, "What happened to Peaches?"

I replied, "Oh she decided she could do more harm to those two being inside the cage with them." We looked over and could see Maya and Lindsay were being tortured by Peaches. She seemed to know both girls well enough to keep them from reaching orgasm. I told Miss Kitty, "Going to grab my camera, be back shortly."

Miss Kitty commented, "Had no idea you could fit 3 girls in that cage."

I told her, "Neither did I. While Peaches is tall, she is very slender and flexible." I headed downstairs to the Presentation Room and got my camera. Heading back into the Play Loft I discovered Peaches had Lindsay eating her pussy. I did find this rather ironic as a couple weeks ago Peaches wouldn't let Lindsay touch her. I snapped some picture of the three of them in the cage. I also got some pictures of Miss Kitty and Laura. I headed over to check on Sara and Wynn. Sara was having a hard time concentrating on Wynn with the magic bullet in her. Each time she adjusted her position on the stool the dildos moved inside her, making things worse. Just as I was getting some pictures of Sara and Wynn, a loud high-pitched banshee like screaming echoed throughout the room. I determined the scream was coming from the cage, which was confirmed as I got closer to discover it was Peaches having a massive orgasm.

She was pleading to Lindsay, "Stop! Please!" However, Lindsay was continuing her oral assault on Peaches' clit.

I walked over and saw Peaches was in tears but with the magic wand firmly planted on Lindsay's pussy. I made an observation, "Perhaps she will stop if you remove the wand from her pussy."

The light bulb went off in Peaches head and she turned off the magic wand which was over-stimulating Lindsay's pussy. In turn, Lindsay stopped her attack on Peaches' clit. Peaches was still trying to catch her breath, "Thank you...Get her out."

Chapter 20: Bad Girl! & The Thunder Rolls

I noticed Maya was asleep and Peaches did look rather uncomfortable being folded like a pretzel inside the cage. I told her, "Okay, give me a moment to *find* the key for the lock."

Peaches seemed panicked, "Find?"

I ignored her comment and instead tormented her some more, "Hmm, the mistress included the lock, but did she give me the key?" If it were not for Lindsay being between Peaches and the cage door, Peaches would have done her best to break free. Finally I 'discovered' the key, "Oh there it is sitting on top of the cage." I undid the lock and released the bolt opening the cage door. As I had expected, Lindsay almost fell out of the cage. I grabbed her by the arms, pulling her out. She was able to get back on her feet and I told her, "Just stay here a moment and I'll get you out this straitjacket." Peaches was trying to crawl out of the cage and I really didn't want her lose in the loft with no one else around to supervise her. As I closed and locked the door I asked, "Where do you think you are going?"

Peaches was confused, "Why you no let me out?"

I told her, "Soon as I am done with Lindsay, go play with Maya."

Peaches looked over at Maya and pouted, "She sleeping. Let me out."

I laughed, "You were the one who decided you could have more fun *inside* the cage." Turning my attention to Lindsay, "Okay, I am going to lift you up a bit so you can sit on top of the cage." I lifted Lindsay so she could sit on top of the cage with her legs dangling down. I had gone around to the back of Lindsay to undo the jacket.

Suddenly Lindsay started giggling, "Stop! That tickles!"

I looked over to see Peaches had grabbed a hold of one Lindsay's pantyhosed feet and was tickling her foot. I warned Peaches, "Stop that!"

Peaches decided to challenge me, "Or what?" She grabbed a hold of Lindsay's other foot and also started tickling it as well.

Lindsay was still giggling but warned, "STOP! I'm going to pee!"

I was not amused, "Peaches...stop that or you will spend the night in the cage." Peaches ignored my threat and was making it rather difficult for me to get Lindsay freed from the jacket. Not to mention I really didn't want to have to cleanup a mess if Lindsay couldn't hold her bladder. I walked back around to the front of the cage and slapped Peaches hands. I grabbed Lindsay's legs, freeing her from Peaches and placing her legs atop of the cage platform so I was able to get her out of the straitjacket. Lindsay was able to remove the forced orgasm belt and left it atop of the cage along with the straitjacket.

Lindsay announced, "I need to pee."

I told her, "Sure, there is a powder room by the dressing rooms. I assuming you are going to head back to your cottage after you go the bathroom."

Lindsay replied, "Yes, if that is okay?"

I assured her, "That is fine. Have a good night." Meanwhile I headed over to the gynecological table and grabbed the remote for the magic bullet. Instead of turning it off, I 'accidentally' put it on full power and went about getting Wynn released. I undid the latch securing the collar to the table and had Wynn sit up as I removed the blindfold. While I was undoing her jacket, Sara was trying her best to hold off the building orgasm. She had been on edge all night so when the orgasm finally hit her she was out.

Wynn laughed, "Looks like she is done for the night! Need help with her?"

I had undid the last of the straps on Wynn's straitjacket, peeling it off her shoulders and pulling it off her arms. I released her feet from the stirrups and told her, "If you can walk her to our suite, I'd appreciate it. I need to get this place cleaned up and undo Maya's jacket. Here's the keys for the shackles. Just leave her as she is, but let me get that magic bullet out of her." After removing the magic bullet from the dildo, I handed Wynn the key for the ankle shackles, "After you are done with her can you check on Laura and Miss Kitty a little latter please?" I placed all the table accessories underneath and deposited the magic bullet back in the storage closet. I had noticed Miss Kitty outside the powder room, "Lindsay's in there, she shouldn't be much longer."

Miss Kitty informed me, "Actually Laura is in there, Lindsay has already left. Hey, thanks for letting us play, Laura had fun on the wheel. I think she would like to try out that cage at some point."

I told Miss Kitty, "I am not surprised, she was doing cage dancing before she became a Network Admin. Anyway, I am sure we can get more use out of the loft over the weekend. If you two need anything let Wynn know, she will check on you before she heads to bed."

Meanwhile I headed back to the cage and Peaches asked, "Can I come out now?"

I walked over to Maya and was able to undo the sleeves and released the back straps. I looked over at Peaches and told her in a firm voice, "No you can not. You've been naughty. So, now you spend the night with Maya in the cage." I picked up the equipment off the top of the cage and headed back to the closet. On my way to the closet I turned off the lights. The two girls' were not completely in the dark though as the full moon shined through the windows between clouds. Miss Kitty and Laura had already headed off to their suite for the night. I closed the pocket door and headed out the other door into the hall.

Peaches was in a state of panic, she did not think I would be serious enough to leave her in the cage. She thought to herself, at least Maya was in there with her. She moved her way towards Maya and started calling out her name, "Maya! Maya!"

Maya started coming around, she noticed she was still in the straitjacket, but it was loose enough she could get out with some help. She noticed it was dark and she saw Peaches face in the moonlight, "Where? Where am I? Peaches is that you?"

Peaches was a little calmer now, "Yes. You in cage with me."

Maya told Peaches, "Get this jacket off me, I am so hot." Peaches moved over and helped Maya remove the straitjacket. Maya stretched her arms and legs and asked, "Why you still in here? For that matter why is it dark?"

Peaches explained, "Ron says I naughty."

Maya laughed, "Peaches....what did you do?"

Peaches hung her head in shame, "After Ron let the Angel out, he had her on top. Her legs were hanging and I tickled her feet. He told me to stop, I didn't."

Maya sighed, "Great so Ron is punishing both of us for your actions. Oh well, we got a lot of room in here. Especially now that Lindsay is out of here, lets make the most of it!" The two girls proceeded to make-out inside the cage.

Back downstairs, Wynn and I were in the kitchen going over the details for tomorrow night. Andy walked in, "Sorry I'm so late. Is Lindsay still up?"

Wynn replied, "She was rather tired after playing with Peaches and Maya most of the night. I walked her back to your cottage about an hour ago. If you are hungry I saved some pizza for you."

I looked at Wynn and asked, "When is he *not* hungry?"

Andy laughed, "Hey I resemble that remark! Yes, Pizza would be good."

Much to my surprise, Laura and Miss Kitty came downstairs and joined us at the bar. Neither of them said anything to us so Wynn asked, "Anything I can help you ladies with?"

Laura explained, "Well...about this time each night Sophie serves us ice cream and a nightcap. Sometimes a Brandy or a Scotch. We were wondering if you could do the same?"

Wynn turned to me, "Here I thought Martina was high maintenance! Very well, I will get you two some ice cream and Blackberry Brandy."

Meanwhile in the play loft Maya and Peaches were worn out Peaches asked, "We sleep in here?"

Maya replied, "I think we will have to. Let me move over and you can stretch out next to me."

Andy wasn't sure if he had heard me correctly earlier, "You said Lindsay had been playing with Maya and Peaches?"

I confirmed, "Yep, think they had a good time. Though Peaches was getting a little rough with Lindsay." I turned to Wynn, "Do me favor, before you go to bed, will you let them out the cage for me. Maya should be out of her jacket if not it won't take much for you to get it off of her."

Wynn assured me, "Once everyone else is settled in, I'll get them out. Unless...you want them to spent the entire night in there."

I reminded Wynn, "While Sara would have no problems with that, I am not sure how Maya would handle it. More so, Peaches is still new to this lifestyle and I don't want to overwhelm her. They are not completely in the dark up there, the full moon seemed to be providing some light."

Laura and Miss Kitty finished their treats and returned upstairs. Andy finished his

pizza and handed Wynn the plate, which she placed in the dishwasher. After starting the dishwasher Wynn headed upstairs with the key to the cage.

Wynn walked into the play loft to find the two girls asleep in each others arms inside the cage. Wynn unlocked and release the bolt leaving the door partially opened. On her way out she opened the pocket door to the closet and turned on the light. She returned into the hall as I was passing by, "They're both asleep in there and Maya was not in the jacket. I undid the bolt and left the door open as well as left a light on. Did you want me to get them out?"

I told her, "No, let them sleep. If they wake up during the night they can get out." I headed into my suite and noticed Sara was asleep on top of the bed still in the straitjacket bodysuit and stockings. I released her arms, so at least she wouldn't be as stiff and sore in the morning. There was however, no way she was going to be able to get out of the bodysuit without some help. I turned out the lights and just as I was heading back to bed noticed a flash of light to the east. I walked over to the French Doors leading to the balcony and opened the doors. The smell of rain and the humidity nearly knocked me over. I always enjoyed a good thunderstorm and for that matter rain, which seemed to have become a rarity over the past few years here in Phoenix. There was another flash and a second later, very loud clap of thunder. I was expecting this to have woken Sara, but she was still asleep.

However over in the play loft the thunder woke and startled Peaches, "Maya! What was that?"

Maya woke up and asked, "What was what?"

Peaches replied, "The boom?" Maya was a bit puzzled at first then there was another flash of lightning followed by thunder. Peaches jumped and seemed to be a bit uncomfortable.

Maya laughed, "Geez. It is just a thunderstorm. Get them a lot during the spring and summer out here." Maya then noticed the closet light was on and the cage door was open, "Hey, someone opened the cage and left a light on for us."

Peaches replied, "Okay." She made her way out the cage and then helped Maya out. The thunder continued and Peaches became more and more uncomfortable.

Maya had been laughing at Peaches' reaction, but she grew concerned. Peaches was now shaking uncontrollably and nearly hyperventilating, "Peaches calm down." Maya grabbed Peaches wrist, "Come, let's go back to our room." Peaches didn't say anything, but did grab on to Maya. They walked over into their suite and Maya told Peaches, "Sit on the sofa. Try to relax." Peaches sat down, but did not let go of Maya. Maya sat next to Peaches trying to get her to calm down. With Maya by her side, Peaches finally relaxed. They headed to bed and slept peacefully through the rest of the night.

Chapter 21: Vinnie's 2.0 and Lindsay's Makeover.

At 8:00 AM Wynn announced "Breakfast will be served in about 20 minutes".

I looked over and saw Sara was still asleep, though not for much longer. I walked over and unzipped the crotch of the bodysuit and started rubbing the panties over her pussy. The motion and sensation of the plugs woke her up. She was moaning with pleasure and I stopped. I walked into the dressing room to grab a belt while

removing the plugs. Upon returning to the bedroom I told Sara, "Stand up." Sara got off the bed and stood by the side while I unzipped the bodysuit. I peeled it off of her and would wipe it down a little later. I also peeled off the dildo panties, much to Sara's relief. I told her, "You can go pee and whatever else you need once I get this belt on you." Surprisingly, Sara did not put up a fight about being put back into her belt. I suppose this had to do with her not quite being awake yet.

I got the belt locked on to her and she told me, "I'm going to shower, see you downstairs."

Around 8:30 we all met in the dining hall for breakfast. Peaches and Wynn had made blueberry pancakes with sausage links and eggs. Laura asked, "So where is this Vinnie's?"

Maya explained, "Just over in the Market Place. We moved into the old Market building at the gas station. Diane really appreciates you doing this on a Saturday."

Laura joked, "That could change when she gets my bill."

After breakfast Wynn and Peaches worked on getting the breakfast dishes cleaned up. Andy left to meet with Doyle and Max for a round of golf. Maya and Laura headed over to Vinnie's. Lindsay and Sara announced they were going to go to the mall and would be back in the evening. I let them know, "We will be doing another play night, not sure how things are going to go this time. I do know Peaches will make sure she does not end up in the cage again."

Peaches looked over, "That mean of you Ron."

Maya walked in and commented, "From what you told me, you deserved it. In fact, I ought have Lindsay domme you on the wheel."

I laughed, "That would be an interesting sight. I know Laura wants to try out the cage, not sure who else we can put in there with her."

Miss Kitty had been sitting at the bar drinking an espresso suggested, "Throw Andy in there with her. I myself, would like take a ride on that fucking machine of yours."

Meanwhile Laura and Maya arrived down at Vinnie's. Laura walked in and was impressed with what she saw, "Wow, you guys have really made great use of this space."

Dianne walked over, "Laura Merlot?"

Laura replied, "Actually it is Myers. You must be Diane, I recall you from the

wedding. So, what do we have here?"

Dianne explained, "Several tablets for the servers as well as the front counter and call-in station. Ron already got the web server setup as you can see by our menu board."

Laura looked over, "Neat. Did Ron make those for you?"

Dianne replied, "Actually it was Maya's girlfriend...oh what's her name again?"

Maya laughed, "Peaches."

Dianne smiled, "Yea, I knew that. Anyway, let me know if you need anything, I'll be hiding in my office. Maya should be able to help you out."

Laura explained, "Okay, so while I am getting the tablets setup on the network we are going to need to get the software side loaded. I happened to bring an eight-port USB hub with me. Let me walk you through what is needed to get the software on them." Laura walked Maya through getting one of the tablets setup. "Not that complicated, just a bit time consuming. I'll be working on the computer in the office if you need me."

Laura walked into Diane's office. Dianne asked, "Everything going okay?"

Laura let her know, "So far, so good. Maya is getting the software on to the tablets. I need to work on getting them access to your network." She got into the router and was looking at the running config, "What the heck did you do Ron? This addressing scheme doesn't make sense. Oh wait, he subneted and put the web server on its own network. Okay this makes more sense now, so in theory I should be able to use the range from .129 to .254, not that we need that many addresses."

Diane remembered I had given her an addressing scheme table to give to Laura, "Oh hey, Ron told me to give this to you."

She handed the addressing table to Laura, who examined it, "Oh we are doing a /26 not a /25. Odd, he has left the range from .65 to .127 open. So he wants the tablets on the .128 network. Okay, that will work, still have 62 usable addresses in that range. But, still don't understand why he left the subnet open. I'd better call."

Laura rang my cell which was in the kitchen and I was out on the cabana with Miss Kitty and Peaches setting up the last swing on the porch of The McGrawl's Cottage. Wynn brought out my phone, "Your sister."

I picked up my cell, "What's up Laura?"

Laura explained, "Okay, I see you divided their network into 4 subnets. However, I don't get why you don't want to use the 2nd subnet."

I told her, "Dianne may be moving to VoIP in the next few months. Given the way things are setup now, I figured I make it easier when that time comes by reserving the 2nd subnet for the voice network. So, just make sure the wireless adapter is assigned to the .128 network."

Laura replied, "That makes sense. Do we want to use the entire .129-.190 range for the tablets?"

I explained, "Um no. Let's use .130 through .150 for the tablets, not that she is ever going to have that many. Then let's keep the range of .151 to .169 reserved for future use. The remaining space from .170 to .190 we can setup with NAT to use for the public wireless access. Can you make sure though the guest wireless is on a different VLAN than the wireless for the tablets."

Laura was surprised by how much networking I knew, "Okay. You sound like you could be doing my job."

I joked, "Routers aren't too bad, but I still get lost trying to configure VLANs on switches. Don't even get me started about switchport security, there has to be a simpler way to get that setup. Then there is 'router on a stick'..."

Laura laughed, "I know what you mean, but once you do it enough it just comes naturally, much like the basic router setup and sub-netting which I see you did already. Okay then, I think I got it now."

A couple hours later Laura called Maya and Diane over to test out the tablets, "Okay, these should be working go ahead and give them a try."

Maya and Diane tested the tablets and the system by placing several mock orders. Everything was working as expected. Dianne was very enthusiastic, "Wow! I've made it to the 21st Century!"

Maya joked, "Only 8-years after the fact. So, I suppose it is official 'Vinnie's 2.0' is now online!"

Even Laura was impressed, "I am surprised more restaurants haven't moved to this kind of system."

Diane commented, "I think a lot of them don't think the expense is worth the gain. I am willing to take a gamble here. After all, I leased this space which is nearly twice the rent as our old location. But, I am hoping the dining space is going to bring in extra revenue. I want to keep this as a family friendly place

which is why I am not bothering to get a liquor license. Plus the application is fee is so exorbitant and I don't really want to hassle with having to reapply every 2-years."

Maya joked, "Good, I really don't want have to be breaking up bar fights!"

Diane ignored Maya's joke and asked Laura, "So, you going to give me a bill now or mail me one?"

Laura replied, "Give me a couple minutes and I'll have an invoice ready for you."

Meanwhile Sara and Lindsay were walking through the mall. They stopped off in the food court to grab a quick bite to eat. Out of the blue Lindsay asked Sara, "What would you think if I dyed my hair black?"

Sara laughed, thinking Lindsay was not being serious, "As if you would do that."

Lindsay stomped her foot in frustration, "I'm being serious Sara!"

Sara was somewhat taken aback by Lindsay's reaction, "Oh sorry....well...okay then. Well, if you have it cut a little shorter and dyed then we could really pass off as twins."

Lindsay smiled, "You know, I've been wanting to get my hair shortened for a while now."

Sara was still not really sure, "You certain you want to do this?"

Lindsay laughed, "It is not like I'm going to get most of my hair shaved off like Sophie. It will grow back in time and the color can be removed later."

Sara grabbed Lindsay's hand, "Well then let's get you made over!" The girl's found a salon in the mall. Upon walking in Lindsay was seated and Sara told the stylist, "She wants her hair like mine. So, trim a couple inches off and dye it black." She turned to Lindsay, "Do you have a long black skirt like I have?"

Lindsay was puzzled, "Not sure what you mean."

Sara frowned as she realized her question was rather broad, "Um...Like the one I wear with my Black Widow, that has the slits down the sides?"

Lindsay was getting very turned on, "I love when you wear that outfit. Sadly, though I don't have one of those."

Sara smiled, "No problem, I am sure I can find one for you. I'll be back later." Before Lindsay could say anything Sara was already out the door on the hunt for

a skirt for Lindsay.

Lindsay laughed as Sara made her retreat, "Okay then..." An hour later Sara returned with a couple shopping bags. Lindsay looked at the bags, "How many skirts did you buy?"

Sara laughed, "Only, one but I had to get you a pair of black ankle boots to go with the outfit." She turned her attention to the stylist, "How's she coming along?"

The stylist explained, "I've cut her hair as you asked and should be done adding the color in the next 20 minutes or so."

Sara replied, "Okay. Lindsay I am going to put these bags in the car, be back soon." Upon returning Sara saw Lindsay in her new do, "Wow! Lindsay we really look like twins now!"

Lindsay joked, "Almost, you are a bit darker skinned than me, but close enough."

Sara reminded Lindsay, "True, but Martina and Lulu looked almost the same from a distance."

Lindsay was confused, "Lulu?"

Sara explained, "Gary's Deer Valley office manager. She was the other 'Lady in Pink' at the Christmas party."

Lindsay understood, "Ah, okay I know who you are talking about now. Just didn't know her name. You about ready, I really want to take a nap before the Shin-Dig tonight."

Sara replied, "Sure, let me pay for this and we can go."

While Lindsay enjoyed being pampered she didn't want Sara to pay for everything, "You don't have to, it was my idea after all. You already bought me a skirt and boots, plus lunch."

Sara refused but did compromise, "Nonsense. You deserve to be spoiled once in a while dear. You can tip your stylist."

While Sara went up to pay for the styling, Lindsay slipped the stylist a \$20 bill, "Here you go!"

The stylist took the tip and told Lindsay, "You've got yourself a really good friend there, hang on to her!"

Lindsay smiled, "I know. Don't worry I will."

One the way home Sara explained, "Okay, so after your nap change in the your Black Widow. Do you want to wear fishnet or regular stockings?"

Lindsay commented, "Don't really care for black fishnets. I can wear off black stockings...If that is okay with you?"

Sara laughed, "Doesn't matter to me, just want to make sure we are both dressed the same. I'll come over before dinner and help you get ready."

Sara dropped off Lindsay at the cottage and she drove into the main garage. Upon walking in to the house she noticed Maya and Laura, "Afternoon Ladies!"

Laura looked up from her Vodka, "Oh hey Sara. Say, how would Lindsay feel about doming Peaches tonight?"

Sara laughed, "That would be sweet revenge from what she did to her last night."

Laura laughed, "Indeed. I was thinking of having Andy in the cage with me. I am good at edging men..."

Miss Kitty walked in with Wynn and commented, "...and women too. She takes orgasm denial to a whole new level."

Wynn laughed, "Then you have me, one kiss and they have a massive orgasm!"

Sara recalled Peaches' first encounter with Wynn, "Peaches learned about that real quick when you came to Chugwater. Speaking of Peaches, where is she?"

As luck would have it, Peaches was walking in to the kitchen with a sack of potatoes, "I here. What I do?"

Sara calmed her, "Relax. I was just reminding Wynn about the first time she kissed you."

Peaches turned pink, "Wow. That intense."

Wynn announced, "I am going to get the grill fired up. Peaches will need help with the potatoes and if someone could help me by making a salad."

Maya offered to help Peaches, "I'll assist Peaches."

Laura and Sara offered to help with the salad while Miss Kitty would assist Wynn with the grill. I had been in my office most of the day with Gary and Andy on the phone with Cristina discussing possible improvements to the Acme Las Vegas site.

Peaches announced over the intercom, "Dinner in 10-minutes on the cabana!"

Sara snuck out the front door wearing the ankle boots, stockings along with a t-shirt and shorts. She walked around to the guest cottage. She let herself in and then knocked on the bedroom door, "Lindsay?"

Lindsay opened the bedroom door wearing only stockings and her chastity belt, "Come on in. You can help me get into the Black Widow."

Sara told her, "First you need to put on the skirt and then we can lace you into the corset. When I am done, you can help me into mine."

Lindsay put on the skirt and then Sara helped her into the corset. She asked, "How tight do you want this?"

Lindsay replied, "I'll let you know." Sara started tightening the laces, drawing in Lindsay's waist. Lindsay told Sara, "This is good, I can still breathe, barely. Okay, let me help you into yours" Sara removed her T-shirt and shorts to reveal she too was belted. Lindsay looked at belt and commented, "You've been naughty again haven't you?"

Sara looked down and noticed she was wearing her high security belt, "Oh didn't really notice. Ron just grabbed the nearest belt to the front of the closet this morning. He didn't put the plugs in though, which was good as I had enough with those dildo panties he had me wearing last night..." Lindsay laced Sara's corset and then stepped next to Sara looking at herself in the mirror. Even though Sara was naturally darker than Lindsay, Lindsay had a bit of tan now and didn't look that light in comparison to Sara.

Peaches announced, "Dinner on the Cabana! Come now before Andy eats all!"

Lindsay laughed, "She knows him well."

Chapter 22: The House Warming Shin-Dig and The Play Loft Revisited

Lindsay and Sara exited the cottage and headed to the Cabana. Everyone was too busy getting their food to notice the 'twins'. We had all sat down at the table when Andy asked, "Who's that with Sara?"

I looked up and noticed Lindsay, but didn't really notice her new look, "You mean Lindsay?"

Andy looked at her, "Lindsay? What did you do to your hair?"

Lindsay replied nervously, "Got it cut and colored black..."

Andy laughed, "Great, now I am going to have even more trouble telling you apart from Sara."

Lindsay was thinking Andy was upset with her, "Sorry. May be it is a little too much. It will grow back."

Andy realized his error, "Oh no, I like it. Different look for you. Actually a really neat look for you."

Miss Kitty commented, "Brings out the green in her eyes, which I have never really notice before."

I took a closer look at Lindsay, "Oh geez, I didn't realize she had her hair done."

Andy was confused, "But you knew it was her when I asked."

I explained, "True. Since she was wearing a Black Widow corset and was about the same height as Sara and sitting next to her, I concluded it had to be Lindsay. While Kayré does have a Black Widow, she is about a half-foot shorter than Lindsay and would not be sitting right next to Sara."

Andy laughed, "Anyone ever tell you, you'd make a great detective?"

I told him, "I believe you just did."

After dinner everyone helped out getting the dishes cleared out as they knew the sooner this was done the sooner they could play. Everyone headed to the playloft and this time our Mistress was Lindsay. Lindsay came over and asked, "Do you have another *magic bullet*? I think it would do wonders for Peaches."

I laughed and informed her, "There should be a couple in the storage room."

Lindsay ran off to the storage room to get some toys to use for her revenge on Peaches. Earlier in the day Miss Kitty had given me special request on how to deal with my sister. I saw Miss Kitty lead Laura into the play loft on a leash. Laura was wearing a black sleeveless thigh length unitard with black fishnets. Miss Kitty brought her over to the cage and explained, "She is wearing the dildo panties. Now lets get her into a straitjacket." Miss Kitty and I put Laura into a black leather straitjacket then led her into the cage. Upon coming out she asked, "What are we go to do with Andy? Lindsay doesn't want him to be able to touch himself, but I want him to be able to stimulate Laura with the Hitachi wand."

I suggested, "I think I have an arm binder that will keep his hands and arms behind his back, but able to hold the vibrator and not touch his cock."

Miss Kitty smiled and commented, "Perfect!"

I went into the storage room to get a wand, extension cord and the arm binder. Upon returning to the loft I handed Miss Kitty the arm binder, "Here, I need to get this extension cord ran for the magic wand." I strung the wand through the bars about midway into the cage and then connected the extension cord.

I returned to see Miss Kitty had removed Andy's shorts only to discover he was still in the CBT-7500. She inspected the device and commented, "That does not look very comfortable. Lindsay sure has him under her control."

Lindsay hearing her name and noticing Andy naked came over, "I suppose it would help if I removed his device. As far as having him under my control, it is mutual. If he agreed to the CBT-7500, I would get my pussy and clit pierced so I could have a belt like Maya's. Just never thought he would go through with this..." A shiver ran down Lindsay's body as she realized what she had gotten herself into, "Oh well, can't be anymore painful than when I ran into Wynn the other month. Anyway let me get this off of him."

She unlocked the device and Miss Kitty was shocked when Lindsay pulled out the urethral tube, "Holy shit! There is no way he is going to pull out of that! That doesn't seem very comfortable."

Andy commented, "It is not that bad really. The tube/plug was a strange feeling at first but I gotten use to it. The narrow diameter of the barrel is what is uncomfortable." He turned his attention to Lindsay, "You don't have to go through with that if you don't want to."

Lindsay thought for a moment and replied, "No, I made a promise and it is only fair as you went ahead with the CBT-7500."

I asked Andy, "Have anyone in mind to do the piercings?"

Andy replied, "How about the lady who did Sara?"

I told him, "Louise, yes she is very good. I'll have Gary give you her information."

Miss Kitty had placed the arm binder on Andy and guided him into the cage then placed the magic wand in his left hand. She backed out of the cage closing and locking the door. She walked over to the center of the cage and explained, "Okay, here's the deal, you are to force each other to orgasm and as many times as you want. Laura has pair of latex dildo panties on which should transfer the vibrations of the magic wand very well. In case you did not know, Laura is very skilled at cock sucking as my agent and stage manager will verify. You two have fun in there, I have a date with Ron's fucking machine."

I lead Miss Kitty over to the fucking machine and had Wynn get her setup on the

machine. Over in the far corner I noticed Lindsay had Peaches on the wheel upside down and was fucking Peaches with a vibrating dildo while Peaches was licking Lindsay's pussy.

Maya approached in an outfit I had never seen her in before. She was wearing a locking chrome collar over a bright red catsuit, with black skirt and waist cincher. However, she was wearing 6-inch ballet boots, which was the first time I had ever seen her in ballet boots. She asked, "Can I domme Sara on the oral chairs?"

I told her, "Um...Sure. Wow that is one hell of an outfit! Don't think I have ever seen you in ballet boots before."

Maya laughed, "Yes it is. Peaches added the collar to remind me of who is in control in our relationship. The ballet boots are actually Bambi's she is letting me borrow them to see if I can handle them."

I asked, "How is it going so far?"

Maya giggled, "Well, as long as I don't have to go up or down stairs I should be good..."

I reminded her, "In time, you should be able to get around better. I am sure it took you a while to get use to regular high heel boots."

Maya smiled, "True. Well, guess I am off to dominate Sara."

Before she left I asked, "Did you both want to be blindfolded?"

Maya replied, "Sure, that should really intensify it for her." Wynn secured Sara and Maya into the chairs while I retrieved a couple blindfolds. Wynn placed the blindfolds on her Sara and Maya's heads. After she had her blindfold put on, Maya went on an oral assault on her sister's pussy.

I looked around and commented, "It appears everyone else is playing other than us."

Wynn had an odd look on her face, which I knew meant trouble, "What's not to say we can't play?"

I knew I was regret asking, but did so anyways, "What exactly did you have mind?"

Wynn was bit nervous or was it cautious, "I AM allowed to play with you, right?"

I assured her, "That is fine, this why we have these nights."

Wynn cracked and evil grin and let out a bit of cackle, "Perfect. LINDSAY!"

Lindsay came right over, "You bellowed?"

Wynn instructed her, "See to it Mister Merlot here is prepped for the table. I'll be back, need to change into something more dominating...I mean comfortable."

Lindsay bowed and turned to me, "Remove your clothes...please." I removed my shorts, muscle tank and briefs. Lindsay opened the cabinet below the table and removed the collar and a straitjacket. She placed the collar around my neck.

As she started to put the jacket on me, I informed her, "This will be much easier on you if I am already sitting on the table."

Lindsay giggled, "I suppose it would be now wouldn't it. Okay then, on to the table." Once on the table, Lindsay discovered how much easier it was to get me into the jacket. She had finished securing the jacket when Wynn returned wearing a purple corset along with black opaque tights and 6-inch ankle boots. Wynn placed a hand on Lindsay's shoulder. Lindsay turned around and then looked up in shock, "Wow! What an outfit and did you just grow a few inches!?"

Wynn laughed, "3-inches to be exact. Is he ready yet?"

Lindsay explained, "Just about. Need to secure him to the table and then he is all yours. Unless you need me, I will be back getting my revenge on Peaches. Hmm...I need to go grab a peacock feather.."

Lindsay was unaware that there was more to than just getting me on the table. Lindsay was almost to the storage room when Wynn called her back. "LINDSAY!"

Lindsay froze in her tracks and with an about-face made a beeline back to Wynn and I, "Yes Wynn?"

Wynn explained, "Under the table is a set of ankle shackles and a pair of wrist cuffs. They need to be attached to the stool and then you need to secure them on to me."

Lindsay replied, "Oh, I see. I didn't realize that the giver would be restrained as well."

Wynn replied, "Yes, which is something you didn't do that one night at the old house."

I added, "Which was just as well, considering she was down there by herself with Sara."

Lindsay blushed, "That could've been quite the pickle." She attached the two sets of shackles to the stool and then attached them to Wynn. "There, now Peaches is waiting to be tormented, although I think leaving her upside down may just do that."

I reminded her, "Go easy on her, she is still getting use to our lifestyle. Though judging by what she did to you last night she seems to be adapting well."

A couple hours or so later we rotated partners, though Andy and Laura spent the majority of the evening together in the cage. Peaches tried to take advantage of being out of her belt while Lindsay was releasing Wynn from the stool. Lindsay turned around and caught Peaches touching herself. She yelled out, "BAD PEACHES! NAUGHTY GIRL! I will deal with you in a moment." She released me and told me, "Let's put her in a cell with ankle cuffs and a fiddle."

Wynn laughed, "Much like Sara and Maya ended up that evening when Tess was here!"

I quickly put on my clothes and headed to the storage room to get a single person fiddle and a lead chain. Sara happened to be walking by and Lindsay asked, "Can I borrow your cuffs real quick, need to deal with a naughty Peaches." I honestly didn't think Sara had her cuffs on her, but she reached into her corset and pulled out her silver cuffs and a key handing them over to Lindsay. Lindsay took the cuffs and replied, "Thanks, I'll return them later....perhaps with me wearing them!"

Sara smiled and commented, "Yummy! Sounds like fun."

Lindsay walked over to Peaches and demanded, "Hands behind your back." Peaches was thinking she was getting off easy just being handcuffed, little did she know what would be waiting for her in the cell. Both cells already had ankle shackles threaded around the stool. I placed the fiddle off to the side and had just connected the lead chain to the top of the cell when Lindsay walked in with Peaches. Lindsay sat her on the stool and I fastened the shackles around her ankles. Lindsay read the charges, "Peaches...umm...what is your last name?...ah never mind it is not important here. You have been caught touching yourself without the permission of the dungeon...or is it loft now?...Mistress. Your punishment is to spend the rest of the evening in this cell restrained in a fiddle."

Peaches was puzzled, "What Fiddle?"

Lindsay removed the cuffs from Peaches, stuffing them down her own corset and handing me the key. She instructed me, "I'll hold her wrists while you get it around her neck."

I picked up the fiddle and walked towards Peaches who had a look of sheer panic

when she saw the fiddle, "Oh fuck!" Lindsay placed Peaches' wrists in and I closed the device around her neck, placing the locking pin in place and securing it with a padlock. Peaches slumped over a bit with the weight, "Wow this heavy!"

I told her, "Be glad it is not the steel one, those are a lot heavier." I attached the lead chain to the lock thus taking the weight of the fiddle, "This should help."

Lindsay looked over Peaches and commented, "That should hold her. Thanks for your help." We both walked out of the cell and as I closed the door behind us. Lindsay walked into the next cell and told me, "Let Sara know I will be in here...waiting...restrained!" With that she closed the door behind her. She removed a ball gag that was hanging from the bars and placed it her mouth and secured it around her head. She reached under her skirt and pulled off her panties, tossing them on the floor by the door. Next she pulled out Sara's silver cuffs from her corset and attached to the back of the stool. She sat down on the stool and reached underneath and secured her ankles into the shackles. She adjusted her gag and closed the cuffs around her wrists.

I looked around and didn't see Sara. I was hoping for Lindsay's sake that Sara hadn't retired for the night. I headed over to the wheel and picked up the toys Lindsay and Peaches had left behind. I was walking into the store room when I saw Sara coming out of the powder room, "Sara. Lindsay is waiting for you in cell #2."

Sara asked, "What is she doing in there?"

I replied, "Waiting for you."

Sara gave me a dirty look, "Okay? Whatever" She walked out of the store room and over to the cells. She saw Lindsay sitting there gagged and then she noticed Peaches in the other cell, "Wow. Who did you piss off?"

Peaches sighed, "The Angel. I touched me when she not looking."

Sara laughed, "That is a real fine way to end up in there. Been there, done that!" Pointing to Lindsay, "So why did Ron restrain her in here?"

Peaches corrected Sara, "No Ron. She did herself."

Sara got very turned on, "Oh she did, did she? Well, well, well. What to do, what to do?" Sara opened the cell door and noticed Lindsay's panties on the floor. As she walked in the cell to inspect Lindsay's handy work, she was a bit startled when the cell door closed and locked behind her, "Crap forgot about that. Oh well." She walked over to Lindsay and ran her nails down Lindsay's arms, "What am I to do with you?" She continued dragging her nails across Lindsay's arms, "I do like the black hair on you...hmm...are those your panties over there?" Lindsay

nodded her head yes, "I see....well then that means I can do such interesting things to you..." She reached down under Lindsay's skirt and felt her pussy, "My, my we are a bit moist down here! This could prove to be very beneficial to *me!*" Sara stuck a couple fingers into Lindsay very moist pussy and then reached up with her thumb and began rubbing Lindsay's clit. Lindsay screamed into the gag from the sudden stimulation. Sara continued fucking Lindsay's pussy with her fingers.

Lindsay's moans were driving Peaches who was still restrained in the fiddle wild, "Oh god! That hot!"

Sara didn't realize she was tormenting Peaches at the same time, "I am putting on quite a show here aren't I? You think this is hot, watch this!" With that she lifted Lindsay's skirt and started licking her pussy. Lindsay was moaning in pleasure, while Peaches was moaning out of frustration! Sara knew Lindsay well enough to know when she was on the brink of orgasm. She noticed Wynn walking by and stopped what she was doing with Lindsay, "Wynn can you let me out please?" Wynn walked over and opened the cell door allowing Sara to exit. Sara asked Wynn, "Did you want to do anything with her, she is quite primed right now."

Wynn declined, "Nah, I need to head downstairs to get Miss Kitty and Laura's nightcaps prepared."

Sara giggled, "I think I'll join you."

Peaches protested, "Don't leave me here."

Sara turned to Peaches and reminded her, "Lindsay was the one who put you in there. She can let you out when she is ready...oh wait she restrained and locked herself into the other cell. Oh well. Good night!" Sara and Wynn exited the playroom together leaving Lindsay and Peaches alone.

Peaches was not pleased, this was the second night she found herself almost alone up in the play loft. She was about to blame Lindsay for her woes until she realized she had brought it upon herself by touching herself earlier. To add to her discomfort, another thunderstorm was brewing in the distance. Peaches saw the lightning and upon hearing the thunder, "Oh fuck!!"

Chapter 23: More Armor and Is It A Shin-Dig or Is It An Orgy?

I was downstairs talking with Laura and Miss Kitty inquiring on their plans for Sunday, "What are you two doing tomorrow?"

Laura informed me, "We will likely go shopping over in Old Town Scottsdale. Our flight leaves Monday mid-morning."

Sara and Wynn walked into the dining hall. Wynn asked, "Who else besides Laura and Miss Kitty want a night cap?"

Maya had walked into the room and announced she could go for a night cap. Laura asked, "What happened to Andy?"

Wynn explained, "Think you wore him out, he headed back to the cottage about an hour ago."

Maya commented, "Oh so that is why Lindsay is not around."

I advised her, "Actually, Lindsay is still in the play loft along with Peaches. They are both in the jail cells."

The thunderstorm was getting closer and Maya was getting concerned, "Are they gagged?"

Sara replied, "Just Lindsay."

As the thunder got louder Maya grew more concerned, "I better get up there, Peaches doesn't like to be alone in thunderstorms. I wouldn't be so concerned if Lindsay could talk to her. Out of curiosity, what did they do?"

Sara told her, "I think Peaches was touching herself and then Lindsay decided she would put herself in the other cell for me. I suppose I should release her." She felt around for cuffs keys, "Odd where are my keys?"

I had forgotten that Lindsay had handed them over to me prior to putting herself in the cell. I reached into my shorts pocket and pulled them out, "Here you go. Lindsay had given them to me before she put herself in the other cell. Oh Maya, Peaches is in a fiddle and the key is on the shelf across from the cells."

Sara and Maya headed up to the loft to release their playmates. Upon Maya entering the play loft Peaches begged, "Maya...let me out!"

Maya could tell Peaches was getting very uncomfortable and assured her, "I'll have you out shortly."

Sara opened and propped the door to Lindsay's cell. She reached under and undid Lindsay's left ankle, however she left the cuffs on Lindsay's wrists, instead only detaching them from the stool. She then detached the ankle cuffs from the stool and attached the other cuff to her right ankle. She looked to Lindsay and told her, "You are not going to run off this way. I could've left you up here..." She grabbed a hold of Lindsay's left arm and guided her out the loft and down the stairs. Upon entering the dining hall Sara redid the cuffs to Lindsay's hands were in front of

her and removed Lindsay's gag, "There, you can join us for the night cap. Now have a seat."

While Lindsay did take a seat Sara apparently forgot her ankle was still attached to Lindsay's and discovered this when she went to go the kitchen. Lindsay yelled, "SARA!"

Sara realizing her error, "Oh we are still attached aren't we? No problem let me remove this shackle from my leg..." Sara realized she had left the key in the cell, "...seems I left the key in the cell upstairs...oops."

Lindsay was not amused and yelled out, "Sara Clementine Rae Merlot..." there was more, but it was in Mandarin.

Maya was shocked, "Lindsay, how the heck do you know Sara's middle name?"

Lindsay had this grin that would make the Cheshire Cat jealous, "I have my sources." She turned to Sara and declared, "I really don't want to go back up there..."

Maya offered, "I'll go up there and grab them."

After Maya left Miss Kitty looked over and saw Peaches standing off to the side trembling like a chihuahua as the thunder boomed overhead, "You okay dear?" Peaches didn't say anything.

Laura came over next to Peaches and guided her to a chair, "Here have a seat." Laura rubbed Peaches arm and back while trying to calm her, "Don't worry you are safe here with us. Maya will be back down shortly." I stood there in amazement as did Sara and most of the family. This was a side of Laura we rarely ever saw. A lot of people assume Laura was a cold hearted bitch with the way she acts, but that behaviour is mainly a show. She does show restraint as demonstrated when she was in Lake Havasu in December.

Maya returned with the keys, "Okay here we go..." She noticed Peaches, "Shit. Sorry I shouldn't have left her."

Laura assured her, "That's okay, she is doing better." Peaches had calmed down considerably and excused herself to go the powder room. As she had left Laura asked, "What happened to her?"

Maya was confused, "Have no idea, I know she does not like thunderstorms. She has never wanted to talk to me about this. I have asked a couple time and she shuts me out. I suppose she will open up eventually."

Peaches returned to the dining hall and walked over to Maya and whispered to

her, "Can we go?"

Maya looked up at Peaches, "Sure. Good night everyone." The two of them left hand in hand heading upstairs.

Sara undid the ankle cuffs from her own ankle as well as Lindsay's. "I think we should call it a night." She also removed her silver cuffs from Lindsay, stuffing them down her corset.

Lindsay rubbed her wrists and looked around then asked, "Where's Andy?"

Wynn told her, "He retired about an hour ago. Laura must have worn him out."

Laura commented, "I did make sure to put his device back on before I let him free."

Lindsay chuckled, "Thanks. You didn't really need to do that, but that's fine. I suppose I should go join him. Good night all."

Miss Kitty noticed the time, "If we want to get an early start tomorrow, best we be going to bed as well."

Laura was barely staying awake after the night cap, "Yes we should..."

It was now only Sara, Wynn and myself left in the dining hall. Wynn asked, "I know Miss Kitty and Laura are going shopping tomorrow. What else is everyone doing?"

I told her, "Not sure at this point. I am thinking though tomorrow night we might go to *The Unlikely Cowboy*. Will need to see if Marc and Martina are free as well as Kayré and Kacie."

Wynn asked, "Would it be possible for us not to go out tomorrow night?"

I was a bit surprised by her question, "I suppose we could stay in, why?"

Wynn explained, "We still have a ton of food left over. We can still have Martina and Marc along with Kacie and Kayré over. Make it a pool party!"

I joked, "Martina and pool party?! That is not a good combination!"

Wynn did a face palm, "When will I ever learn? Well, let me clean up here and I am off to bed."

Sara and I left for our suite. We chatted for a bit and I asked if she knew about Lindsay's plans, "Were you aware that Lindsay made a deal with Andy? If he were

to wear the CBT-7500 she would get her pussy and clit pierced so she could have a belt like Maya's?"

Sara was a bit shocked, "I somehow can't seem to imagine Lindsay wanting to go through the process. I could see her getting her tits pierced so she could have armor like Wynn and I, but to go the route of Maya. I suppose she has a high tolerance for pain, but still. Maya had her piercings done a long time ago all at once when she was drunk. She told me she wished she had only done a couple at a time. Oh well..." Sara fell asleep.

The next morning we were awoken by Peaches, "Morning. Breakfast soon. Breakfast enchiladas, beans."

Sara was a little confused, "Breakfast enchiladas?"

I explained, "It is enchiladas with Pico de Gallo and eggs inside."

We got dressed and headed down to the dining hall. During breakfast Maya asked me, "Ron, do you know if Gary is still making the 'armor'?"

I asked, "Why, you want to get one instead of what you have now?"

Maya explained, "No, I quite like having my belt attached to my pussy and clit. No, this would be for Peaches. We thought about having her go the route I did with the piercings down there, but that is a bit much for her."

Andy asked Maya, "What about Lindsay?"

Maya looked at him confused, "What about her?"

Andy explained, "Do you think she could handle getting the piercings down there. She thought about getting a belt like yours."

Maya thought for a moment, "That is a major step from what she has now. I think she would be better off just getting her tits pierced so she could have an armor. I wasn't exactly sober when I had all my piercings down there done and a couple days later I really wished I hadn't gotten them all done at once."

Wynn added, "In some ways, I think the armor is more extreme as for security. Not only is your pussy and clit inaccessible, but so are your tits."

Peaches asked, "How secure?"

Sara explained, "Without they key there is no way to get out and there is no way you are going to touch yourself. It takes a little getting use to wearing, but since you have been wearing corsets you should get use to the ridged tightness fairly

quickly. The weight is a little bit more, but not bad after a while."

Wynn joking to Maya and pointing to Peaches, "It will help improve her posture, there is no way she will be able to slouch wearing one of these."

Andy asked, "Does Louise work weekends?"

I told him, "Not really sure. I can always call Gary, need to anyway for our 'pool party' tonight." I turned my attention to Sara, "Hey can you call Kayré and Kacie, see if they can come out tonight. I am going to also give Marc and Martina a ring."

Sara joked, "Oh great Martina and her one piece bikini."

Peaches was confused by Sara's comment, "One piece bikini?"

I explained, "Topless, that is if we are lucky. Last time we had her at a pool party at the other house I don't think either piece of her bathing suit were on her when she went into the water."

Sara added, "We need to keep her away from Peaches."

Peaches scowled and demanded, "Why must keep her from me?"

Sara laughed, "Well, she does have a tendency to fuck anyone in sight when she has been drinking. Let me put it this way, she is the reason I am belted."

Miss Kitty commented, "And the reason I had Laura belted."

I laughed, "Ah yes, how I could forget the night of the '*Unlikely Affair*'! Laura was the last person I was expecting Martina to be screwing. However, at least it was Laura and not some strange guy."

Peaches was having some troubles putting two and two together, "I understand Laura, why Sara?"

Laura raised her hand, "If I may explain...prior to Martina and I doing it in the Queen Suite, we had a bit much to drink one night when Ron was out of town...where were you."

I thought for a moment, "Umm...oh shit yes...the initial install for *The Budget Holstein* Oro Valley. Laura was suppose to be down there the next morning, but somehow or another she ate something that 'didn't agree with her'. I would find out later that something was Martina."

Laura showed remorse, "Oh but, Martina did agree with me. However, I should've

known better. We really did luck out that Linda was so forgiving.”

I sighed, “Yep and somehow she has become one of my best clients which is ironic.”

Peaches was still confused, “But why Sara?”

Laura explained, “Okay, Martina and I were a bit drunk. We put on strap-ons and tried to gang bang Sara. We under estimated her strength, or we were so drunk...I have to say she did a number on Martina.”

Sara commented, “Yep she landed on her ass pretty hard on that tile in the great room. I did get revenge on her with the help of Bunny and Bambi. She was the one being gang banged and didn't take much for us to wear her out. Anyways, I went to Vegas and had a belt made to 'protect' myself from Martina and Laura.”

I added, “I think she was so drunk, she would've passed out sooner or later. The next morning she found out what it was like to be belted and we were half way to Tucson.”

Peaches was getting excited, “Martina sounds fun!”

Miss Kitty suggested, “You know, it could be quite erotic for Peaches to have Laura and Martina fuck her!”

Maya and I at the same time, “Oh shit!”

I added, “Hell, this Shin-Dig might as well be like our wedding night....a freaking orgy!”

Sara joked, “Do you still have the number for that DJ?”

I started laughing so hard, “Yikes. We did give him quite the show! Totally forgotten he was there until he started playing porno music. That was one hell of a night!”

Sara commented, “Kayré and Kacie weren't there were they?”

I reminded Sara, “Yea Kayré was there with Linda, but think they both retired before things got...um...wild. We didn't meet Kacie until later on. You know what, let's go for it. Let's have a Shin-Dig to out do all the other Shin-Digs! I'll get on the horn with the Zinfandel's and then Marc and Martina!” I told Wynn, “You may want to make sure the bar is well stocked!” I headed over to my office while Sara went to get on the horn with Kayré and Kacie. I decided to call Marc and Martina first.

Marc answered and I asked, "Got any plans for tonight?"

Marc told me, "Not really why and do I have to involve Martina?"

I laughed, "Yes, but it may be worth your while. Remember the night of the big weddings?"

Marc laughed, "Oyi!"

I explained, "Well, we are going to have a Shin-Dig to out do all other Shin-Digs tonight at our new place. So, you two are invited for the pool party! I say come around 3:00 PM and expect to be here a while."

Marc asked, "Who else is going to be there?"

I explained, "Well, I am hoping the Zinfandel's along with Kayré and Kacie. Laura and Miss Kitty are still in town. Which reminds me I thinking Peaches needs to get 'initiated' into the family. Miss Kitty has already given her approval for Laura to fuck Peaches. So, that would just leave Martina."

Marc joked, "Crap, I'll have to figure out where I hid the key for her belt! Well, see you then."

Sara had come over and informed me Kayré and Kacie would not be coming. I told her, "Marc and Martina will be coming. Sounds like Marc is all for Martina to initiate Peaches along with Laura. Of course, that is provided he can remember where he hid the key for Martina's belt. I still need to get a hold of the Zinfandel's."

I got on the horn with Gary, "Morning Ron. What's happening?"

I explained, "We are having a big Shin-Dig tonight. New house, Vinnie's 2.0 and more. Anyway, I am hoping you and the girls' can make it. Marc and Martina, plus Laura and Miss Kitty are here. Peaches is going to get 'initiated' into the family tonight!"

Gary laughed, "Wow, sounds like a big to do!"

I reminded him, "Remember the after party at our weddings? I expect this going to be just as wild!"

Gary recalled, "Ah yes that night. Bambi was not too happy that night, until she met up with Maya. Hmm...may be I should have handled things better..."

I asked, "In regards to Maya getting carried away with Bambi?"

Gary wondered, "I didn't know you knew. How?"

I explained, "Maya came clean when she got back from the fallout in Chugwater. That was a dark time, thank goodness Peaches was there for her. She has calmed down considerably now and is more cautious too."

Gary added, "Bambi admitted that she could've stopped Maya if she really wanted to. Not sure how given she was restrained to the caning platform...she does miss Maya. May be they can have some fun tonight as sounds like Peaches is going to be occupied by Laura and Martina."

I reminded him, "Maya is an adult and I have no issues with her and Bambi. They will be out in the open at least. Anyway, the main reason I called was to find out if Louise worked on Sundays."

Gary advised, "No, she does not. Tuesdays through Saturdays. Why?"

I explained, "Well, Lindsay and Andy had made a deal. If Andy would wear a CBT-7500, Lindsay would 'upgrade' her belt to an extreme security like Maya's. However, Lindsay doesn't have any piercings down there and Maya advised against Lindsay doing that. However, Maya mentioned that Peaches wants to get an armor like Wynn and Sara. They had discussed doing the extreme security belt, but Peaches doesn't have any piercings down there either."

Gary agreed, "Yea, good idea. Tit piercings are easier to take care of then those down there. I was surprised to see Maya had all those piercings down there."

I told him, "Apparently, she was rather drunk when she had them done and she really regretted getting all of them done at once. Guess she was in a bit of pain for a while."

I could hear Gary cringing, "Oh yea, that can be very painful, especially if not taken care of properly. I'll give Louise a call Tuesday and see when she is open."

I told him, "Likely will need to be in the evening as Lindsay will be working at Budget Holstein and Peaches over at Vinnie's."

Gary asked, "When did Peaches start working at Vinnie's and doing what?"

I explained, "She starts tomorrow as a waitress."

Gary was pleased, "Neat. Anyway, what time should we be there tonight?"

I told him, "Anytime after 3:00 PM should be fine."

Chapter 24: Peaches & Maya's Confessional

I returned to the dining hall to find Maya and Peaches were still around, but most everyone else had left. Maya asked, "Hey, Peaches and I have been talking and I am wondering if we can have a house meeting before the Shin-Dig tonight? Just the family, as well as Andy and Lindsay and your sister."

I wasn't sure what was going on, "Sure. May I ask what this is about?"

Maya explained, "I think it may be beneficial for me and everyone else if we explained what happened in Chugwater from the time Peaches and I headed back after the Boot's Chugwater project to the night at Corona de la Estrella's."

I noticed her emphasis on 'we', "You *and* Peaches want to explain?" Maya nodded 'yes', "Okay, then. Everyone one should be back around 2:00 PM and the guests have been told to come after 3:00 PM." Later that day everyone had returned from their outings and I announce, "House meeting in 5-minutes Great Room." Everyone had gathered in the Great Room and I turned my attention to Maya and Peaches, "Okay, Maya and Peaches have called this meeting."

Maya stood up, "Thanks Ron. Since all of you were involved with the Boots Chugwater project and/or saw the aftermath of the fallout with my parents...um...well...let my clarify that...my father and his business partner, Tess. Yes, Tess was his business partner, not his wife. It seems as what has become common place with my father the whole story behind Tess being his 'wife' was just a ploy as I learned the hard way from Peaches."

Sara added, "Much like his sobriety sob story when he showed up here in January."

Maya scowled, "Yea, can't believe I fell for that too. Anyway, let me explain what happened from the point Peaches and I left a couple months back to that night at Corona de la Estrella's on Easter. So, while we were all still in Chugwater..We had wrapped up on the Boot's job when Tess asked if after their 'honeymoon' if I would be willing to come back and help her and Peaches turn the Ranch House into a lesbian themed Bed and Breakfast. She told me that they wanted to downsize, but didn't want to depart with The Ranch. Also, she informed me that this would be our 'project' while Boots was Jed's."

Peaches added, "Tess told me they go on vacation."

Maya continues, "Makes sense as they knew Peaches knew the truth about their 'relationship'. So, we returned to Arizona and I made the painful arrangements to move myself out to Chugwater and help out my parents...errr...father and Tess. However, due to bad weather we didn't make it back until about a day and half later than we had planned. The first thing we noticed was all The Ranch staff were gone, plus Tess and Jed had already moved out. I would learn later when I

started doing some digging online they had bought and closed on the condo while they were suppose to be on their 'honeymoon'. We didn't think much of The Ranch staff being gone, thought may be there were given some time off during the transition. However, I found it very difficult to get a hold of Tess. Anyway, a couple days later I was finally able to get a hold of Tess who informed me Jed was a bit overwhelmed with Boots and would be 'back' in a week or so. In the meantime, she asked Peaches and I to get The Ranch House cleaned up and make note of what would need to be fixed and/or replaced. She gave me a list of about a half dozen sub-contractors to contact and arrange with them the work that needed to be done based on our findings. However, Tess told me to have them contact *her*."

Lindsay asked, "If you and Peaches were 'in charge' why were they suppose to contact her?"

Maya smiled, "Excellent question! I had thought may be because Tess was the one with the money. May be it was Freudian Slip on my part, but I accidentally gave one of the sub-contractors my cell number instead of Tess's. A couple days later, that sub-contractor calls me and tells me he is ready to start the work, but permits have not been pulled for the project. He told me he could start, but would rather wait until we got the needed permits."

I commented, "Smart contractor."

Maya continued, "So I spent the next couple days again trying to get a hold of Tess. By this time she was suppose to be returning back to the Ranch House. I finally did reach her and she was like 'Oh, thought I had done that already. Been so busy helping your father. Just go online and apply for the permits, use the Ranch's credit card.' I asked her when she was returning and she just kept telling me Jed still needed help with Boots."

Peaches added, "Which was *Jed's* project. I wondered if she would come back. I missed her. We good friends she helped with my sponsorship."

Maya explained, "I was wondering as well, but didn't say anything as to not worry Peaches. But, when she mentioned it I knew something was not right. I went online and applied for the permits through the county. While I was online I saw a link for recent home sales in the area. Went to the site and did a search. I put in 'Rae', 'Whitewater' and even 'Rae-Whitewater' but nothing came up. For some reason I tried 'Boot's Chugwater' and found the sale with Jed Rae and Tess Whitewater listed as lessees. Then I saw the date and realized that was days after we had left to come back to Arizona."

Andy asked, "Why did they put the condo in the business name and then rented it to themselves, that seems a bit suspicious."

Maya agreed, "I know. I thought about asking them about it, but opted not. Then next day out of the blue, Tess suddenly shows up and says...or should I say warns us that several 'investors' will be coming over the next couple days to look at The Ranch."

Andy commented, "Investors? This is getting quite interesting."

Maya laughed, "Yep. So Tess *tells* me that they don't have the 'working capital' to make the improvements and to keep the staff to run The Ranch."

I just about fell out my chair, "Wait...what? That makes no sense with the way had no problems paying us the massive amount for the job and even the new server and UPS."

Laura added, "Not to mention they gave me extra money and paid for my flights out there, and not on tin cans I might add!"

Maya told us, "Yea, both Peaches and I found that story a little fishy. Now Tess said, they would sell ownership rights of The Ranch to some investors but we would maintain operating rights. She left later that day without any warning. The next morning one of the 'investors' came by and asked me 'If I knew when the auction was?' I looked at him a bit oddly and asked 'what auction?' I thought may be they were going to auction off the ownership of The Ranch."

Andy explained, "That doesn't sound right. For one thing if it were a public auction, there would have already been a set date and the auction house would have placed a sign on the property advertising the auction to the public."

Maya sighed, "Yea well, he informed me it was a private 'foreclosure prevention auction'. After he left, I informed Peaches of the news and looked online. Sure enough they had defaulted on the loan last fall and the bank was showing the property as pending foreclosure."

I commented, "How interesting, so they were already in default when they had us doing the Boot's project?"

Maya laughed, "Oh it gets better. Peaches..."

Peaches explained, "When I was cleaning out storage in Ranch I came across a bankers box. I showed it to Maya."

Maya explained, "So, inside this box was the paper work for a rather sizable loan taken out against The Ranch about this time last year. Based on the date of the loan and when they defaulted, they may have made one or two payments and then stopped paying. I wanted answers and I didn't bother trying to play phone tag with Tess. Since more investors were coming, I left Peaches at The Ranch and

made the drive up to their condo in Wheaton."

Peaches was pissed, "You left me by myself! It was thundering..."

Maya grabbed Peaches' hand, "I know, I know. I'm sorry but I didn't want you there when I confronted them. This was between my father, Tess and I. Things got rather ugly and would have upset you more." Turning her attention back to us, "They were a just little surprised to find me on their doorstep when they came home that evening. I asked them about the loan and they said it was taken out to start Boot's and that the delays in construction cost them. Jed was giving me this BS that he was trying to work with the bank to delay the foreclosure as he said the money they were going to be making from Boot's would cover the back payments. I then asked why was the condo in the business name instead of theirs? I had suspensions they were trying to hide their personal assets."

I wondered, "What his response?"

Maya replied, "He just stood their silent."

Peaches giggled, "Busted!"

Maya laughed, "Yeah, I somehow don't think he was expecting me to find out about the condo. However, Tess told me it was none of my business and since the auction was the following Monday we needed to be out by Sunday. She then told me to leave their condo before she called the cops."

Lindsay gasped, "What the hell?"

Maya laughed, "That was my reaction as well! I left and went over to a gas station and called Peaches. I told her no matter what we were sticking together and she needed to get packing. I told her I'd talk to Ron."

Peaches recalled, "I did not understand and thought Maya not coming back."

Maya told us, "Yea, Peaches was rather glad to see me when I got back late that night. So, the next day I called Ron and told him things hadn't worked out and asked if Peaches and I could come back. He told me y'all were down in Tucson working the *Budget Holstein* Oro Valley job and to meet you there."

I asked, "You had mentioned when you talked to me, you were going to have one final talk with you parents, what happened with that?"

Maya explained, "Well, after Peaches and I got packed we headed up to Wheaton. I confronted them at their condo and as soon as Tess saw us she threatened to call the cops on us. I told her I would leave, but I wanted to know 'one thing'."

Sara asked, "Was that when you asked about using us to get to Ron and Andy."

Maya nodded, "Yes. I asked Jed point blank, 'Did you try to make amends with Sara and I just so you could get to Ron and the AZOutback crew?'"

Sara beat me to it, "Curious what was his response?"

Maya told us, "You know, I thought he was going to get all defensive..."

Peaches added, "Or lie through his tooth."

Maya giggled, "Teeth, lie through his *teeth*...but no, he just said without any remorse or regret or anything 'Yes'. Tess was about to say something...likely in his defense, but I told them that was all I needed to know and we were leaving. It was not until I came back to the house in Scottsdale, when I learned that evening Tess and Jed were never married. As Peaches explained they were nothing more than business partners."

Lindsay asked, "Speaking of false business relationships, what was their involvement with Dunn Brooks? I get the impression he did not like Jed much."

Peaches explained, "Dunn Brooks and Tess go way back, much like Tess and I did. Dunn Brooks along with Tess sponsored me for work program when I come to the States. Thought they would get married. But she spent all her time with that loser, Jed..."

Sara interrupted, "That 'loser' is our father...but the title does fit..."

Maya giggled, "True, no harm, no foul!"

Peaches continued, "...Dunn did work for them at The Ranch. Jed wanted Dunn to invest into Boots, but then change mind later. Something about Dunn being 'too careful?'"

Andy helped Peaches, "Ah okay. Likely cautious. Dunn had already been burned by someone else in Wyoming a couple months back. Chances are he knew what Jed was offering him was something 'too good to be true'."

Sara added, "Or unethical."

I added, "Or illegal. Yeah, I sensed he wasn't very thrilled with Jed."

Lindsay wondered, "Is that why he said Tess had told him we were still in town?"

I replied, "Yeah and he didn't seem to talk much about working with you guys when either one of them were around."

Maya was racking her brain, "When was that?"

I told her, "The last night of the Boots Chugwater project after they had already made you the offer."

Peaches added, "Tess had something up her sleeve."

Maya looked at Peaches confused, "Why you say that?"

Peaches explained, "Dunn not like Jed. He would not come back to Ranch since Jed tried to 'recruit' him."

Lindsay explained, "He did say something that Tess mentioned we were still in town, almost as if she was using that as leverage to get him to come out."

Maya recalled, "You know I had over-heard them talking during the early part of the project...she was telling Jed that she would make it sound like it was her project. At the time I had no idea what they were talking about."

I asked, "Do you recall when?"

Maya thought for a second and then laughed, "Yeah, when you almost burned down the building. Which explains why I never heard the rest of the conversation as they were interrupted by the fire alarm. Dang it, we should have let that building burn down!"

Peaches added, "When I cooking dinner that night Jed came, he and Tess were yelling outside. Something about 'this is not work out'...'he will know'"

I suggested, "Perhaps, trying to get Dunn Brooks to bail them out or be part of 'Boots'. 'Not work out' when Andy offered him the job for the Fort McDowell store. Wow, what a mess. Certainly explains a lot."

Maya turned to Peaches, "I told you I would stick with you no matter what. I am here for you and I am so glad you are here for me."

Peaches grabbed Maya and gave her a bear hug, "Me too!"

I was wondering though, "Okay that does explain a lot. However, I don't quite understand how Peaches went from fetish modeling to caretaker at the ranch."

Maya commented, "Who said they were mutually exclusive? She had been doing modeling in Hungary and the agency she was working with gave her the opportunity to come to the States."

Peaches explained, "Tess sponsored me and I worked as the caretaker, while modeling. I got citizenship right before Maya came out."

Maya added, "Which was why it was not an issue for her to leave Chugwater. She has done quite a lot of modeling, you should check out her website, which she built herself."

Chapter 25: Every Shin-Dig Must Come to An End!

Wynn announced she would be in the kitchen getting the food ready for The Shin-Dig. Sara asked, "What should we wear?"

I thought for a moment, "Well, it is a pool party and is a bit warm out. How about going as the Chastity Slut Triplets again?"

Maya laughed then added, "We could make it quintuplets if we add Peaches."

Sara asked, "Does she have a short white skirt, always seen her in long skirts?"

Maya confirmed, "She has a couple. Will need to remove the thigh-bands from her belt thought..." Turning her attention to Lindsay, "You in?"

Lindsay giggle, "Sure, it is just family."

I looked around to make sure Laura and Miss Kitty were not around, "Y'all will likely drive my sister wild!"

The quintuplets headed off to change. Martina was the first to arrive and Wynn let her in, "Ah, this must be the place."

Wynn looked and asked, "Where's Marc?"

Martina explained, "Oh he will be coming in a bit. Had some business he had attend to at the resort. Now, if you would be so kind as to lead me to the pool..."

Wynn led Martina out to the cabana and announced, "Martina Frosch has arrived."

I noticed Martina was wearing a t-shirt and shorts, couldn't tell though if she was still in her belt. Martina came over and grabbed my cock as she deep kissed me, "Good to see you again!" She looked around while stroking my cock through my shorts, "Nice place you got here. Is the pool ready?" Again, she never gave me this much bloody attention when we were married. She let go of my cock and removed her shirt. She was wearing a bikini top underneath.

I told her, "Yes, yes the pool is ready for you."

Martina giggled, "Oh goody!"

She removed her shorts to reveal she was still belted and in a maneuver that she could patent, Martina removed her bikini top tossing it aside just before she hit the water. Sara walked over and noticed Martina in the pool and her top on the ground, "She has made herself at home I see."

I reminded her, "Actually, I don't think she does this at home given it is a common pool. Wonder if Marc 'found' the key for her belt?"

Maya and Lindsay along with Peaches joined us on the cabana. Peaches noticed Martina in the water, "She seems harmless."

I commented, "...until she started sleeping with my sister behind my back"

Sara told Peaches, "She may look harmless, but I made that mistake once a couple years ago. Just wait until Laura and her have a few drinks..."

Wynn came out the Cabana and announced, "The Zinfandel's and Miss Gris."

Gary walked over, "Heya Ron what's going on?"

Pointing to the pool, "Martina has already made herself comfortable."

Bunny asked, "Is she completely naked again?"

Peaches commented, "She still wears belt."

Bambi noticed Maya in her chastity slut outfit, "Interesting look you have going there..." She then noticed Peaches and Sara were dressed the same, "Triplets?"

Maya corrected her, "Actually, quintuplets. Lindsay is dressed the same too. Hey, can we talk for a bit away from here."

Bambi looked over at Gary and Bunny almost as if she was seeking their permission. Gary told her, "You can talk to her, you can do whatever you want with her, you are both adults."

Maya and Bambi walked over towards the McGrawl's Cottage and sat on the swing in the shade over on their porch. Both sat silent looking at each others. Maya finally broke the silence, "Listen, I know I did somethings I shouldn't have done a couple months ago. I am not trying to make excuses. I had a lot going on with Jed and Tess at the time. Of course, I would have no idea it would blow up in my face when I returned, but that is not important. I'm sorry for what I did."

Bambi sat there for a moment, not sure what to make of Maya's

confession/apology, "You hurt me and not just physically. I trusted you...I trusted you that when I used my safe word you would stop. You didn't! How am I able to trust you now?"

Maya was lost for words, "I don't know. How can you? I am not proud of what I did and I regret the way things ended between us."

Bambi got up and told Maya, "I need a drink..." Maya just sat there not sure what was happening as she watched Bambi walk towards the house to the bar. Midway to the house Bambi turned around and yelled back, "You coming?"

Maya got up and caught up with Bambi, "I thought you were mad."

Bambi replied, "I am, but I am glad you showed some remorse. Let's have a drink, relax and see what happens tonight."

Martina finished her laps and got out of the pool heading towards the house. Laura was at the outdoor bar already and saw Martina in her belt and nothing else, "Dang, Marc doesn't let you out of that thing does he?"

Martina giggle, "He will later tonight. I understand we need to initiate the 'new girl'?"

Laura already had a couple drinks in her, "Yep, Peaches. Should be fun. Though, we really still need to do Sara. I mean I did with Miss Kitty, but you never did..."

Sara heard her name, "What are you two plotting over there?"

Martina and Laura both giggled and answered, "Nothing!"

Sara decided she would push Laura's buttons a bit, "Listen Abigail, I know you two are up to no good..."

Laura didn't really catch on that Sara had just called her by her real name. Martina however did, "You're name is Abigail?"

Laura was really too drunk to care, "So it is....," She started giggling uncontrollably and pointed to Sara, "We still need to do you."

Sara reminded her, "You did in Vegas."

Laura still giggling corrected her, "Henderson...but that was with Miss Kitty, not Marty here."

Sara thought for a moment, "Tell you what, I'll let you two have your way with me. But only if Maya agrees for you two to do the same to her." Sara was thinking

that Maya would not allow herself to be violated by Martina and Laura.

Laura told her, "Deal!" She looked over at saw Maya, "Oh Maya! Come here please."

Maya walked over and noticed Laura was rather drunk and Martina was by her side, never a good combination, "Yes Laura?"

Laura was still giggling, "Your sister has a proposition...tell her Sara."

Sara was not expecting it to go this far and laughed nervously. Maya looked over at Sara wondering what the heck was going on, "Well Sara?"

Sara explained, "I told Laura I would only allow her and Martina to have their way with me if they would *initiate* you."

Maya was getting turned. Since Peaches had been keeping her belted nearly 24/7 except during the few hours during the past couple nights they were playing, "I see....since Peaches is going to be initiated and as I recall it was Laura with Miss Kitty and not Martina back in Henderson. I suppose it is only fair that I get initiated as well! When do we start?"

Sara was not happy as her plan just blew up in her face, "Dang you Maya!"

Martina teased Sara, "You know you want to..."

Sara gave in, "Oh all right. This should be quite entertaining. Now we need to get Martina out of her belt."

I had walked out on to the cabana midway through the 'negotiations', but knew what was being planned. I explained, "Well, Marc has her key and he is not here yet. Besides, we should wait until after dinner for the fun."

Sara asked, "When is Marc coming?"

As luck would have it, Wynn came out and announced, "The one, the only, Marc Frosch! Dinner will be in 10 minutes." There was a brief round of applause.

Marc bowed and then walked over to us and commented, "Thank you, thank you very much. Hey nice place here." He noticed Martina, "Oh great who invited her?"

I reminded him, "That would have been me. Don't worry she will be busy tonight. Not only is she going to initiate Peaches, but Sara and Maya as well."

Marc joked as he observed how Maya, Sara and Peaches were dressed, "Interesting sorority you have going here."

I joked, "Having them belted is the only way to keep them focused on their studies and not each other. So, did you bring Martina's key?"

Marc looked at me, "Key? Oh yeah for her belt...now where did I put that....oh it is in the car. Want me to get it?"

I told him, "Nah, wait until after dinner." I headed over to the grill to help Wynn and Peaches. I looked at all the food on the grill and commented, "Wow, enough to feed an army."

Peaches added, "Or at least Andy."

I told her, "Well there is Marc as well."

Wynn added, "Plus Gary and his girls..." She turned her attention to Peaches, "Okay, start placing the chicken on the platter, I'll do the brats and burgers. Ron, there is coleslaw and potato salad in the kitchen."

I headed into the kitchen and opened up the Cadillac...I mean Sub Zero and found two giant bowls. I set those on the outdoor bar. After everyone got their food I raised my glass of White Zinfandel and announced, "We are celebrating a lot tonight. We have the new house, we have Vinnie's 2.0 thanks to Laura and we welcome Peaches to the Merlot-Rae family! Here's to a Shin-Dig to outdo all our other Shin-Digs!"

After dinner Marc went over to his car to get Martina's belt key. Meanwhile Martina had gone back inside and returned with a small bag. She called over to Laura, "Hey Ann-Marie..."

It took a moment for Laura to catch on, "Wow, been a while since anyone has used my Ann-Marie stage name. What up Marty?"

Martina opened the bag, reached in, removed a giant glass strap-on and handed it to Laura, "Here. I have one for myself as well. Now we need to get you out that belt..." She looked over and saw Miss Kitty, "Hey Ann-Marie here needs to be let out!"

Miss Kitty walked over and asked, "Ann-Marie?"

Laura giggled, "It was my stage name."

I added, "Also the name she gave Sara when she was having her affair with Martina."

Miss Kitty removed the key and unlocked Laura's belt, "Ah that makes sense now."

My stage manager had mentioned something about an Ann-Marie, never really knew what she was talking about."

Marc had returned with Martina's key. He looked at me and asked, "You sure this is a good idea?"

I laughed, "What having Laura and Martina out of their belts? Not really, but what could possibly go wrong? Besides, I think we are going to be in for some quality entertainment."

Marc laughed as he handed me the key, "Oh all right, you twisted my arm. Here you do the honors."

I took the key and knelt down in front of Martina. I was amazed, not only was she still keeping her body in great shape, but she was wearing the same belt that I had put her in. I stood up and walked around her, "Wow you look really good. Okay, let me release you and you two can have your fun." I unlocked and removed Martina's belt setting aside on a nearby chair along with Laura's.

Martina fastened the strap-on in place on her body and laid down on a lounge chair. Laura asked, "Okay, who's first?"

Sara raised her hand, "I suppose I should be. Will give Peaches and Maya a taste of what they can expect!"

I walked over and unlocked Sara's belt. Martina had already applied a generous amount of lube on to her strap-on since she was going to penetrating Sara anally. Sara slowly lowered herself on to the glass strap-on with Martina holding onto Sara hips she gently pulled the strap-on deeper into Sara. Sara was already moaning, "Oh wow. That is so much better than the rubber..." Laura came over and positioned herself and inserted her strap-on into Sara's pussy. It wasn't long before Sara was panting and screaming.

Peaches reached down to rub her pussy but forgot she was belted, "Dang hot! Maya let me out!" Maya was too distracted watching her sister get fucked by my sister and ex-wife. Peaches was growing frustrated, "Maya!"

Maya snapped back at Peaches, "WHAT?! Wait your turn! I am next." Peaches backed away. Sara still needed something to put her over the top. Martina reached up and started playing with Sara's tits. Sara let out a scream as the orgasm washed over her entire body. She collapsed backwards on top of Martina. Maya told Peaches, "Help me get her off of them."

Peaches walked over and put her arms under Sara, pulling her off of Martina as Laura pulled out, "Where we put her?"

Maya pointed to an empty chair a few feet away, "Over there on that chair." Peaches picked up Sara and took her over to the chair, setting her down. Martina and Laura cleaned off and re-lubed their glass dildos in preparation for Maya. Maya was a little nervous and she had not really been penetrated in her ass and pussy at the same time. Laura and Martina switched places this time around. Martina guided the dildo to line up with Maya's ass and placed her hand on Maya's shoulder directing her to go down. Laura reached up and guide Maya onto the dildo. She too was a bit surprised by the glass, "That dildo is so hard...fells so good." She was a bit lost in the feelings of the glass dildo up her ass that she was caught off guard a bit when Martina rubbed her clit with the tip of the dildo. Before Maya could really react, Martina already had the dildo in and was fucking her pussy.

Peaches returned and was getting even hornier. She pleaded with me, "Remove belt Ron."

I pointed to Maya with they key around her neck, "She has your key not I. You will get your turn soon."

Maya yelled out, "Bambi come here." Bambi walked over wearing nothing and without even being told positioned herself so Maya could lick her pussy and clit. Peaches came and reached over rubbing Maya's clit. Maya was not expecting the extra stimulation and nearly bit Bambi's clit. Maya could feel the orgasm building and she reached up and started rubbing Bambi's tits. Peaches reached over and cupped Maya's left tit and then started sucking on Maya's nipple while still rubbing Maya's clit. Bambi had a massive orgasm and dismounted Maya's mouth. Just as well as Maya leaned back onto Laura as the orgasm finally hit. Maya just sat there with both dildo still deep in her pussy and ass gasping, "Wow! That...was...wow...."

Peaches was like a little kid, "I wanna go now!"

Maya looked up at her and smiled, "Well, this was suppose to be for you..."

Peaches had a confused looked, "What?"

Maya removed herself from Martina and Laura, "This night. It was suppose to be about you being initiated in to the family. Sara and I been hogging Martina and Laura."

Laura assured the girl's, "Give us a few minutes to clean off these dildo and use the bathroom. We will make sure Peaches has her turn."

Martina and Laura returned shortly. Maya came over and removed Peaches' belt. Martina asked, "Do you have a preference as to who does which hole?"

Peaches thought for a second, "No, not really."

Martina replied, "Okay then I'll do her ass and Ann-Marie you do her pussy."

Peaches asked, "Who Ann-Marie?"

Laura explained, "That's may stage name. I use to be a cage dancer before I got into Networking. Okay, let me guide you over to Martina's dildo...okay go ahead and slowly lower yourself down." Peaches was a bit reluctant and Laura noticed, "Have you ever been penetrated in there before?"

Peaches admitted, "No. Sorry should've told you."

Martina commented, "Don't worry...we'll go slowly...let you get use to the feeling...let me stick in a couple fingers to help you get stretched..." Martina stuck one lubed finger into Peaches' ass and then a second. Peaches was moaning. Martina wanted to make sure Peaches was moaning from the pleasure and not from pain, "You doing okay?" Peaches was lost in the sensations. Martina stopped and asked, "Peaches, you okay?"

Peaches came back to reality, "Yes...feels strange...good strange...."

Martina massaged Peaches' asshole for a few minutes and then directed her, "Okay, let's try this now. Slowly come down....ow...."

Peaches' asshole was so stretched and relaxed already she slid right down the dildo with a bit of a thud on top of Martina. She looked down at Martina and asked, "You okay?"

Martina groaned a bit, "I'm fine, wasn't expecting you to come sliding down. Okay Ann-Marie let's do this!"

Laura lined up her dildo with Peaches' pussy and started fucking Peaches. Meanwhile over on the far side of the pool Bambi came over to Maya. She knelt down, spread Maya's legs and began licking Maya's pussy. Maya was kind of half asleep and wasn't even aware Bambi had came over until she felt the stimulation of someone's tongue on her clit. She looked over and saw it was Bambi and was about to say something when she had another orgasm. Bambi got up and laid on the lounge with Maya who commented, "That was nice of you!"

Bambi looked at Maya and smiled, "Brings back memories of the fun times we had together. Until...."

Maya interrupted, "...I got carried away?..."

Bambi continued, "...well, I think we both did. Let's keep things simple between

us. It is shame you are not so close anymore though."

Maya assured her, "We are not that far away..." The high pitched scream of Peaches broke the silence.

Bambi laughed, "Wow, she sounds like a banshee!"

Maya giggled, "Or a hyena!"

Peaches had enough and pushed Laura off of her and then dismounted herself from Martina. What she did next none of us expected, she dove head first into the deep end of the pool. As she as emerged she commented, "Had to cool off! Water feels good."

Martina commented, "I know I was in there earlier." She grabbed Laura's hand and jumped into the pool bringing Laura with her.

Laura doesn't really care for pools, "MARTINA! Why did you...." however, her body quickly became accustomed to the warm water, "...oh this does feel good."

Wynn went into the house to grab some towels before joining everyone else in the pool. After about 30 minutes, everyone got out of the pool and were laying on the loungers. Most everyone was paired up such as Marc and Martina, Gary and Bunny, Sara and Lindsay along with Maya and Bambi. Peaches walked over and asked pointing to Maya with Bambi, "Should I be jealous?"

I explained, "Maya knew Bambi long before she met you. They are good friends...but you are important to her as well."

Wynn came over and told Peaches, "You seem tense, why don't you come on over with me and I help you relax." Peaches and Wynn walked over to an empty chair and laid next to each other. Wynn reached over and started rubbing Peaches' pussy ever so gently. Wynn turned to Peaches and told her, "Go ahead and rub mine...." Peaches was trying to rub Wynn's pussy but was too lost in the pleasure of Wynn rubbing hers. Peaches was getting very relaxed and Wynn leaned over and kissed her while sticking two fingers into Peaches' pussy. Peaches let out her banshee scream as she had massive orgasm and was out. Wynn giggled to herself, "Works every time!"

It was close to 10:00 PM when everyone finally left. We could have gone longer, but most of us had to work the next morning.

Chapter 26: The Past, The Present and The Future.

The next morning we were awoken by the rooster and Laura announcing, "Morning everyone. Eggs Benedict is being served shortly."

Sara and I made our way down to the dining hall to find the rest of the family, including the McGrawl's were already down there. As we were eating breakfast I asked, "So, who is going to take Laura and Miss Kitty back to the airport? Maya?"

Maya looked up and explained, "No can do, I need to be at Vinnie's earlier to help Dianne get ready for the grand re-opening."

I asked Laura, "What time is your flight?"

Miss Kitty replied, "3:30."

I was confused, "Thought you were leaving mid-morning?"

Laura explained, "The earlier flight would have been on a 'tin can'...and you know how I am with 'tin cans'"

I laughed, "Yeah, I know. Okay Sara or Wynn?"

Sara told me, "I'll be at work over at the Budget Holstein."

Wynn told me, "I have an appointment during that time out in Phoenix. What about Peaches?"

Peaches asked, "What time again?"

Laura replied, "3:30, but we need to get there about an hour early."

Peaches replied, "I can take them before work."

Maya confirmed, "Yeah, that should be okay. You don't need to be in until 4:00 anyway." She had finished her breakfast and announced, "I need to get ready for work." She left the table and headed upstairs.

The McGrawl's returned to their cottage briefly. Andy left for the Fort McDowell store while Lindsay returned to the main house to wait for Sara to give her ride to the Far North Scottsdale store. Peaches helped Wynn with the breakfast dishes. I had headed over to my office to review this weeks agenda. Laura and Miss Kitty appeared at my door.

Laura asked, "Ron, can we come in?"

I motioned them on in, "Sure."

Miss Kitty looked around and commented, "Not quite as nice as your old office."

While I did not have the mountains or the view of the wash, I did have a view of the golf course, "Yep, just the golf course. What can I do for you two?"

Laura explained, "Well, first off thanks for last night. Martina and I had a blast initiating Sara, Maya and Peaches."

Miss Kitty added, "Sure wasn't expecting Peaches to jump into the pool."

Laura added, "Or having Martina pull me in with her. So, got any projects you are going to be needing my assistance on?"

I was hesitant to answer that question, "Are you trying to plot when you can get together with....oh wait, she's not my wife anymore." Laura was about to say something, "Furthermore, you are not Martina, so asking about my schedule would not be considered suspicious."

Laura looked at me rather confused, "Huh?"

I laughed, "Sorry, back when you had your affair with Martina...the night I came home early and found your Gold Cadillac along with Maya...errr...Martina's Hummer in the driveway. Anyway, after that night Martina suddenly became very interested in my schedule, specifically when I was heading back to Vegas. I knew she was plotting with you to get together again..."

Laura had a guilty look on her face, "Yea....we were. Sorry."

I laughed, "I've said it before and I know I will say it more often than not, don't be. Martina and I were never meant to be and that I am fine with that."

Miss Kitty asked, "How did you two kids meet up anyway?"

I replied, "Martina and I knew each other from school here in Arizona. She left for Vegas to become a Club Connoisseur and I ended up coming back to Nevada to live with Laura in the condo from hell."

Laura reminded me, "Hey, what did you expect for free?!"

I told her, "I would have expected that you and those fucking (literally) cheerleaders would sleep during the night. Anyway, one thing led to another and Marc offered me the house over in Desert Oasis. I told Martina I was going back to Arizona and she suddenly started talking about marriage and flung herself on to me. I am guessing she was more interested in my money than me. So, I got the house and before we left for Arizona we went to a drive-thru Area 51 wedding chapel. We were married by an ordained alien."

Laura laughed, "What, Elvis was too busy?"

I joked, "No, I was worried Martina would have fucked him. I am surprised she didn't try to sleep with the listing agent for the place in Desert Oasis to knock the price down. Now Laura...how the heck did you two meet up? Sophie mentioned something about meeting Martina at her job..."

Laura explained, "Yeah, I was in Laughlin for a convention at the Golden Nugget. I was sitting at the bar in the lounge when she came over and sat next to me. We started talking and one thing led to another. She took me to her river view room...not that I got to see much of *that* view, if you know what I mean."

I shook my head, "Wow. Okay, well back to your original question. I *might* have something in the coming months out in Vegas. Acme Las Vegas to be exact. Cristina is looking at redoing the lower level of Gary's old place. We talked on the phone over the weekend, but she is not really sure yet what she wants to do. Gary mentioned she may just consider moving to a new site"

Laura explained, "I've got conventions and seminars up through the end of June. May be would could get together for the Fourth of July. Just wish our mother and Blanche were closer."

I had an idea, "Let me give Linda a call and see if I can get the Holstein Ranch for that weekend...when is the Fourth of July this year anyways?"

Miss Kitty gave a smart ass answer, "On the fourth..."

I groaned, "Walked right into that didn't I. Let's see..." I looked at my calendar, "Oh boy. It is a Wednesday, not exactly conducive for a long weekend."

Miss Kitty suggested, "Why don't we just the entire week? Come in on Monday night, leave Friday morning?"

I replied, "Could work. Will have to see what the girls' work schedule is going to be like. I'll get on the horn with Linda later and see what we can do. Anyway, when I get something more solid from Cristina and Gary, I'll let you know."

Laura replied, "Okay, sounds good. Suppose we better get packing." They headed back up to their suite and returned a couple hours later. "We put our bags over by the laundry room."

I told them, "That shall work. Let me page Peaches." I got on the intercom, "Lady Peaches to my office please."

I was making some notes and did not see her when she walked in, "You called Ron."

I looked up and was surprised, "Wow!" Peaches was wearing a purple sleeveless top, black shorts along with black stocking and sandals. However, what really shocked me was her hair was up in a bun. "Don't think I've ever seen you with your hair up. You looked really good."

Peaches blushed and bowed, "Thank you sir Ron."

I informed her, "Laura and Miss Kitty are about ready to go to the airport. Their bags are over by the laundry room."

Peaches once again bowed and replied, "I'll get them taken care of. Tonight is the night right?" I nodded 'yes'. Turning her attention to my sister and Miss Kitty, "Come with me ladies." Peaches left with Laura and Miss Kitty. For once, the house was empty I had a chance to get some work done.

Chapter 27: Maya's 'Grand' Birthday!

Earlier in the week Sara had approached me and asked to speak to me in my office. She explained, "So we were talking about that big empty space in the great room."

I recalled the conversation, "Yes, we were. What you have in mind?"

Sara explained, "Well, recall from Halloween how Maya was commenting about the piano? Well, I found out when we were in Chugwater that my father had sold it to Tony Orlando, our 'brother'. Anyway, he still has it and sent me some pictures of the piano. Surprisingly, it still looks the same as it did when we were kids. He has taken good care of it. So, he actually willing to give it to me if I pay to have it shipped from Reno to here."

I wondered, "Any idea how much that is going to cost?"

Sara showed me a written estimate for around \$2500 which was all inclusive with transport and setup. She added, "Would have been a lot more if we were still at the other house given the layout. It helps that your shop still has the overhead door to the outside and double doors leading into the house."

I commented, "Well, that would certainly would fill in the room. Do you need me to help you out with the \$2500?"

Sara explained, "No, I just need to go the bank and cash some of my pay checks from The Budget Holstein North."

I laughed, "You haven't been cashing your pay checks?"

Sara laughed, "I haven't had the need. Still have good chunk of the settlement

money from mom's life insurance plus my share of the money from the Boots Chugwater and Budget Holstein jobs. Plus you buy me everything I want. Her birthday is this coming Monday. She is going into work early that day to make up for taking the weekend off plus to help out Diane with the grand re-opening. So, I was thinking while she is at work we can get it delivered and setup. Thing is, I won't be here as I will be at work too."

As I paged Wynn to my office I told Sara, "Okay, I think we can work this out."

Wynn came into my office and I explained, "Next Monday, Sara is going to have Maya's birthday present delivered and setup. They will be here in the afternoon and I *should* be here, but given the way things have been lately I wanted to give you a heads up."

Wynn asked, "What exactly are you two getting her?"

I advised, "Well, it is Sara that is getting it for her and it is a petite Grand Piano."

Sara corrected me, "Actually, my brother measured it and informed me it is actually a Baby Grand."

Wynn was confused, "You have a brother?"

Sara explained, "Not really. Tony Orlando was our neighbor when we were growing up, but was more like a brother to us. Anyway, my father had sold it to him after we left, but he has taken care of it since then. He really doesn't want it, but at the same time he didn't want to sell it to anyone as he knew how much it meant to Maya. See, our mother taught her how to play on that piano. I myself, was never really interested in learning the piano. Guess you could say I picked up on my mother's fashion/style sense. Anyway he is going to give it to me if I pay to have it shipped from Reno."

Wynn told us, "Well, I don't see any reason why I wouldn't be here. How are they going to get it in the house?"

I told Wynn, "From what Sara has told me they will bring it in through the garage my shop is in. I will need to make sure there is a clear path to the double doors leading into the house. They will setup it up in the big empty space in the Great Room."

Wynn joked, "Oh great, another thing for me to dust. Okay, sounds good let me know."

Sara called the piano mover and scheduled to have it delivered to the house between 3:00 and 4:00 PM that Monday. She had even gone ahead and paid them via PayPal ahead of time. Maya was going to be working from Noon to 6:00

PM that day. I had called Diane to confirm her schedule and to make sure that she gave Drew any deliveries for The Ashler Hills Estate section on that day. We didn't want her to accidentally see her present being delivered.

Peaches had left with my sister and Miss Kitty around 2:00 PM and was going to go directly to work after dropping them off at the airport. A few minutes after 3:00 pm ONER Piano Moving called the house line and advised they would be coming within the next 10 minutes. I headed over to my shop and opened the outside door and made sure they had plenty of space to get to the inside doors. The crew arrived and I showed them where we wanted to place the piano and how they could get it into that space. It took about an hour, but they got the piano into the house then into the great room and fully tuned.

Wynn walked in and was surprised, "I wasn't expecting it to be white, but I think that is good. It makes it seem like it is not taking up as much space as it really is."

I added, "True. It does fill in the space nicely though." I checked my phone and saw the time was almost 5:00 PM, "Okay, in theory Maya should be getting off work in the next hour. Need to make sure she uses the kitchen stairs so she stays out of the Great Room and hopefully she won't glance down into the great room as she heads to her room. I will be able to keep her occupied in her room until Sara and everyone else comes. I got her and Peaches a new Smart TV that has a built-in DVD/Blu-Ray player. I installed it after she left this morning."

Wynn laughed, "Nice, they will like that. Oh, I know what I can do...I think I saw an empty wine bottle in the recycle bin and I have some grape juice in the fridge...I can also come up with something to ensure she goes through the play loft."

I looked at her wondering what she had planned, "Okay. Anyway Sara along with The Zinfandel's should be getting home shortly after they do, let me know and have the cake ready."

Wynn was still laughing to herself about her scheme to keep Maya out of the Great Room, "Okay." She went upstairs and took the chair that was at the desk next to the hall and placed it the middle of the entrance to the hallway which went over the Great Room.

A little after 6:00 PM the familiar rumble of the Pink Monster broke the silence. As I was heading out of office and Maya was coming into the kitchen I heard the sound of a bottle breaking and Wynn saying "Whoopise!" I stayed in the hall for a bit and heard Maya asking if Wynn needed help, "No, I can handle this, just use the kitchen stairs until I can get this cleaned up. Oh and you will need to cut through the play loft to get to your room. I had to Rug Doctor the carpet in that hall after Ron had a freak accident with an exploding bottle of Dr. Pepper earlier."

Maya was a little confused and somewhat annoyed, "Um okay..."

I made my way outside and across the patio going in the other side of the house, it was quicker than going through the Great Room.

I headed up the stairs by the entry and was able to get to the top of the stairs in time to catch Maya coming out of the play loft. I called to her, "Hey Maya, I need to talk to you for a couple minutes."

Maya was getting more annoyed, it was bad enough she had to work on her birthday, but it seemed everyone forgot it was her birthday. She refrained from biting my head off, "What you need Ron?"

I explained, "Hey I got you and Peaches a new Smart TV for your room it also has a built in Blu-Ray/DVD player."

This at least cheered her up a bit, "That was nice of you Ron!"

I made it seemed like it was random and not related to her birthday, "Well, Marc had ordered it for their old condo a while back. Then when it arrived at the new condo he said it was too small. So he gave it to me and well your room had one the original flat screen TVs. Here let me show you how it works."

We went into The Blue Agave Suite and I walked her through using the TV. I was sure hoping Sara and The Zinfandel's would be getting home soon as I was running out time to stall Maya. Thankfully Wynn announced over the intercom, "Sara and The McGrawl's have arrived."

Maya was still somewhat upset and responded, "They are home, so what?!"

I grabbed Maya by the arm and told her, "So, we need to go downstairs and meet up with them."

Maya was trying not to get angry with me, "Why?!"

I told her as we walked out the room, "Because I said so!"

Maya mumbled under her breath, "Whatever!"

As we came down the stairs, Wynn, Peaches, Sara and The McGrawl's along with Gary and Bambi were waiting for us. Wynn had a birthday cake with a single lit candle. Everyone at once yelled, "Happy Birthday Maya!"

Maya was shocked, "Wow, I thought you all had forgotten."

Sara assured her, "Nope. Now make a wish, blow out your candle and come see your present."

Maya was confused, "Present?" She blew out the candle.

Wynn announced, "I'll set this on the dining room table and slice it up."

Sara told Maya, "Grab my arm and close your eyes."

Maya was laughing, "Oh lordy, what do you have in store for me?! Oh all right."

Sara guided Maya into the Great Room up to the piano, "Okay that's good, go ahead and open your eyes now."

Maya opened her eyes and was in shock, "Oh my! Is that what I think it is?! How in the world?"

Sara laughed, "Yes it is. Happy Birthday!"

Maya was in tears, "I thought our father sold it?!"

Sara explained, "Yes, he did to Tony Orlando. He told me we could have it if we covered the transport costs. So I finally got around to cashing in some of my paychecks from the Budget Holstein and had it transported here. Ron took care of everything else, including making sure your work schedule didn't change."

Maya laughed, "So that is why Drew kept taking all the Ashler Hill Estates deliveries, trying to keep me away from the house." She was trying to compose herself, "Wow, I can't believe you two did this for me. You don't know how much this means to me."

I joked, "Well, plus we really needed something to fill in that big empty space in the Great Room too."

Maya replied, "Well, that it does." She gave Sara and I each a giant bear hug, "Thanks again you two!"

That evening as we had drinks and Hors d'oeuvre in the Great Room while Maya played her piano.

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