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Saint Anne's Retreat/Legend Tripping

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“The Nunnery”

Supernatural Non-Religious Legend/Legend Tripping

Informant:

Cherilynn is a 23-year-old LDS white female attending Weber State University to become a nurse. She was recently married and transferred from USU to WSU in 2015. She was born and raised in Salt Lake City and plans on staying in Utah for the foreseeable future.

Context:

Cherilynn told me that she rarely tells this story, and it only really gets brought up when she is around her old roommates that went with her. She never told her family because of fear of them getting upset with her trespassing, and just told her husband when she received my email asking for her story. If she did tell someone she said she wouldn’t just bring it up out of nowhere, and would only tell it as a campfire story or if someone else asked for a scary story.

Text:

I heard about the nunnery from my neighbor in pineview, Dylan Cahoon. We were having a game night and he told us a story about a nun that was sent into a nunnery in the canyon from Salt Lake because she got pregnant, and when the baby was born they drowned it in the pool and sent the nun back to Salt Lake and she was told to never tell anyone about the baby. After the game night my roommate Hayley seemed obsessed, and went multiple times with Dylan to adventure in the canyon and find it. I think it took them a couple days, but then they came back and said that they were sure they found it, and when about ten of us went out we ended up climbing over the fence into some guy’s yard. After that it took a few more days and then they actually did find it. We went and it was honestly kind of
anticlimactic, almost all of the doors were locked, but the big building that was unlocked was pretty cool. I remember there being a big crystal chandelier, and there being some bats that attacked someone? When we went into the swimming pool where they drowned the baby that was the creepiest part of it all, besides when our friend brad hid behind a tree and pretended to be a guard. I think that’s all that I can remember.

Texture:

Cherilynn was a very shy girl when I first met her, and is pretty religious. She didn’t want to mess with any spirits or demons, and was hesitant at first to go with the group. She was pretty nervous about the aspect of trespassing, so it doesn’t surprise me that she was hesitant to tell her family about it and hadn’t told her husband. Since it was over email I couldn’t tell her exact demeanor, but having talked to her about the nunnery before I know that she tells the tail in a nervous manner, however more nervous about the prospect of getting in trouble for trespassing rather than fear of spirits.