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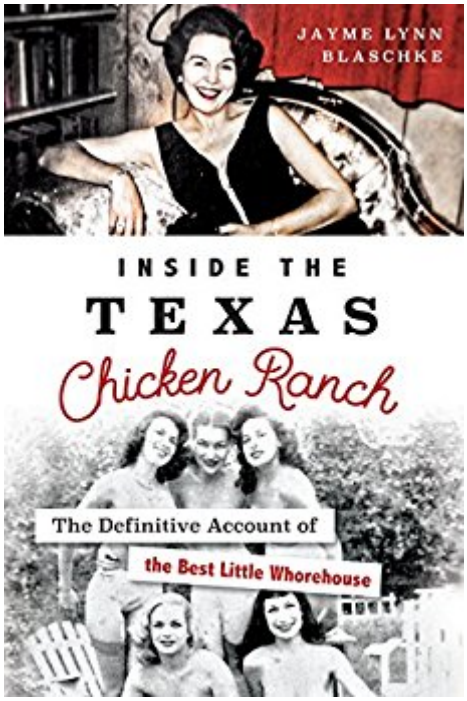

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Synopsis

Thanks to the classic Dolly Parton film The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas and ZZ Topâ ™s ode â œLa Grange,â • many people think they know the story of the infamous Chicken Ranch. The reality is more complex, lying somewhere between heartbreaking and absurd. For more than a century, dirt farmers and big-cigar politicians alike rubbed shoulders at the Chicken Ranch, operated openly under the sheriffâ ™s watchful eye. Madam Edna Milton and her girls ran a tight, discreet ship that the God-fearing people of La Grange tolerated if not outright embraced. That is, until a secret conspiracy enlisted an opportunistic reporter to bring it all crashing down on primetime television. Through exclusive interviews with Milton, former government officials and reporters, Jayme Lynn Blaschke delivers a fascinating, revelatory view of the Ranch that illuminates the truth and lies that surround this iconic brothel.

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Jayme Lynn Blaschke has a historian’s passion for the facts, a reporter’s ability to seek out and assemble the facts, and a writer’s skill to make the result highly readable and entertaining. The Chicken Ranch is an important part of Texas history, and this book is indeed the definitive history of

that institution, thoroughly researched and meticulously documented, full of fascinating characters and telling details. Myths are debunked and the real story is revealed for the first time ever. Highly recommended.

AMAZING BOOK! Very difficult to put down. This is the closest I have ever read to a TRUE and FACTUAL historical account of something that was kept hidden in Texas for years. It is written without shaming the "working girls" and provides an in depth look at "the world's oldest profession" from the early days of rural Texas up until modern day.Take a peek behind the scenes and see what life was really like without the Hollywood glamorization of the infamous Chicken Ranch.

I was at the book signing in La Grange a couple of weeks ago at the library/museum and picked up a copy of Inside The Texas Chicken Ranch.I would like to give you some feedback on the book. I couldn't put it down. It is very much an interesting read and I appreciate how the facts were allowed to be the story. It is obvious it took years to gather the accounts, conduct the interviews, and do the research. Job well done!

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