Evicted: Chapters 1-4

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Chapter 1: The Business of Owning the City

Characters:

- Sherenna- very rich (10). Had a good house (10). She was a landlord. (10). Homeschooled her own son (10). Bought her first home in 1999 (12).
- Quentin- Well manicured built. Curly hair. Shernna is his wife. He's the property manager (12).
- Lamar: lived in a lower unit, Didn't have a leg, Shaved head wore sports jerseys and is about 50 years old (14).
- Patrick: pushing Lamar in wheelchair, wore headwrap, pajama pants, and he is 24 years old bt his eyes looked older (14).
Chapter 1 facts

- When a tenant didn’t pay $500 the landlord would lose $500.
- “Lordland took gains and losses directly” (11).
- There were times when tenants tore down ceilings, took pictures and convinced the court it was the landlord’s fault.
- An evicted couple once stuffed socks down the sinks and turned on the waterfall blast before moving out (11).
Chapter 2: Making Rent

Characters

- Lamar- He has prosthetic legs and sits in a wheelchair(20). He was dishonorably discharged from the Navy in 1977 (24).
- Lamar’s son Luke- age 16 and goes to school (20/23).
- Lamar’s son Eddy- age 15 and goes to school (20/23).
- Lamar’s friend Buck “Big Bro”- age 18, works in his school’s cafeteria while finishing high school (20/21).
- Sherrena- Landlord
Chapter 2; Making Rent

- Lamar and his 2 sons live in an apartment with 2 bedrooms and Lamar sleeps on a bed in the living room.
- Sherrena waived Lamar’s security deposit because they both thought he would be approved for SSI (Supplemental Security Income), which had not happen because it was determined that Lamar could still work (23/24).
- Lamar worked as a janitor several times, drove a forklift, poured chemicals for Athea Laboratories (24).
- Lamar spent $550 on rent and had $78 for the rest of the month. About $2.19 a day (25).
- Lamar’s welfare check started after he moved into the apartment. He accidently received 2 and spent both, the amount spent was deduct the amount from the next pay check. Lamar could not pay the rent to Sherrena causing him to fall a month behind (25/26).
- Cleaned a basement for Sherrena worth $250 but only received $50 because of he still owed her $260 (26).
Chapter 2: Making rent

- Sherrena attended a meeting for the Milwaukee Real Estate investors Networking Group (RING). 50 people showed up including investors, lawyers, mold assessors, and other people in real estate (28).
- White landlords know that money could be made in the Inner city because property was cheap but collecting payments and passing out eviction notices made them nervous (29).
- Sherrena wanted them to know that for the right price she could help them manage the property and consult with them about where to buy (29/30).
- Knows that Lamar shorted her on his rent. Lamar owes her $260 for a bad painting and deducted $30 from his own rent for redoing his own bathroom floor (30).
- Lamar now owes Sherrena $290 (31).
Chapter 2: Facts

- Between 1979 and 1983, Milwaukee’s manufacturing sector lost more jobs than during the great depression, about 56,000 (24).
- Black poverty rate rose to 28% in 1980. And by 1990 in rose to 42% (24).
- Milwaukee was the epicenter of deindustrialization in 1980s and became the epicenter of the anti welfare crusade in 1990s
- Jason Turner (conservative reformer) turned Milwaukee into a policy experiment names Wisconsin Works (W-2). People who wanted welfare either had to work in either a private sector or in a community job created by the state. W-2 also made it so that people only got paid when they were on a job. 22,000 families would be cut from the welfare checks (25).
- W-2 replaced Aid to families with Dependant Children in 1977 and provided two types of monthly benefits, $673 for people who worked and $628 for people who didn’t, couldn’t (25).
- Since 1970, number of people employed as property managers had quadrupled (28)
- 3 books were published on apartment-management advice between 1951 and 1975. Between 1976 and 2014, that number has risen to 215 (28).
Chapter 3: Hot Water

- Characters
  - Lenny Lawson: He is the landlord of the trailer park (32)
  - Susie Dunn: She is the Queen of the Trailer Park and the person that hands out the bills (34)
  - Tobin Charney: The owner of the trailer park (36)
  - Ms. Mytes: She is one of the tenants of the trailer park (35)

The Setting is a trailer park that is starting to run down because it was not maintained very well.
The story of chapter 3: Hot water

Chapter 3 start out with Lenny smoking a cigarette and explaining how the trailer park is split into sides. On the north side all the druggies live and waste their live. On the south side is the hard working people that are still trying to keep the trailer afloat (32). Then Lenny talks about the owner of the trailer park Tobin how investor were not going to let him renew his license for the property and how the trailer park might be closing cause the trailer park is volatilizing 70 health codes.
Facts about trailer parks and homes

- Trailer home are like the size of three classroom which could fit two beds and a small refrigerator with a small stove oven.
- Monthly rent is around 200-300 with utilities less than a apartment rent which it can range for 500 to 3,000.
- A trailer park is set up like a big circle with a road in the middle of it. So people can visit the park and see what it look like.
- The reason why people live in trailer park homes because it is the cheap choice and the safe choice because the last cheap place to buy a home it the slums of a city.
Chapter 4: A Beautiful Collection

Characters:

- Tobin Charney- Trailer park owner. Forced to evict tenants in his park by The Common Council. (45)
- Pam- Evicted from trailer park, addicted to crack. Lived in a “free trailer”. Went to jail for 10 months for selling crack. Worked at a printing plant but had to quit because her car broke down. (46/49/51)
- Ned Kroll- Boyfriend of Pam, also addicted to crack. Recently out of prison. Has a warrant for his arrest. Customizes motorcycles. (46/49/50)
- Bliss- Pam’s oldest daughter from another man (48)
- Samantha- Pam’s younger daughter from the same man as Bliss (48)
- Kristen- Pam and Ned's daughter (49)
Chapter 4 cont.

Story:

- The city threatens to close down Tobin Charney’s trailer park because of too many troublemakers, like drug addicts. (45)
- In order to keep his park, Tobin starts to evict troublemakers, like Pam and Ned, who owe around $3,000 in back rent. Instead of giving them the normal 28 notice, he gives them a 5 day one. (46)
- Pam and Ned live in a free trailer with their three daughters. Even though the trailer is technically free, they still have to pay rent on the land. (46)
- Pam and Ned meet in Green Bay when Pam’s dad asked Ned to fix up his motorcycle. Pam was previously in an abusive relationship and got out of it when she started working as a nursing assistant, raising enough money to move out with her two daughters. (48)
- After Pam’s brother dies she gets into crack, and this leads to her meeting Ned. (49)
Chapter 4 cont.

Story:

- Pam and Ned start selling crack as well as smoking it, and eventually get caught. Pam goes to jail for only 10 months and Ned goes to prison. (49)
- When Pam gets out she moves in with the “straightest friend she knew”, however, this friend had also developed an addiction and eventually gets Pam back into crack.
- Pam gives birth to Ned’s child, a girl named Kristen.
- When they are evicted the sell all their possessions worth anything. They then stay with Scott, a heroin user, and his friend Teddy, in a trailer across the park. This angers Tobin as he agreed to rent the trailer to only Teddy and Scott.