

Lack of Communication Breeds Fear and ~~Distress~~ *DISTRUST*

While association with 'only' those whom you are compatible with, in and of itself isn't necessarily a negative thing. Unfortunately disassociation, lack of communication between two separates, breeds distrust and distrust breeds fear, fear being an element of hatred. And as evident of that hatred is the history of Arizona's Prison Race Riots and lock downs thereafter.

No, I am not necessarily advocating that the races 'get along' or that they associate with each other, although, I don't realistically see how they can avoid it in this closed society. What I am saying: Is that they need not in a blind, futile, mindless act attempt to destroy each other. Elimination or minimizing Race Riots are in the best interest of every prisoner who has a life and business of his own.

I am simply not convinced that this is just the way things are in Arizona or that my Midwestern logic is inappropriate. Prisoners are thinking, feeling, human beings and not wild animals, mindless brutes, like cattle, following the other off the Cliff. Likewise, nor should the Prison population jeopardize its lives or security insanely engaged in a counterproductive (Race-Riot), because of the actions of a few. I have no problem with two yahoos, mixing it up (that being a current reality of all mankind), but, what I inexorably object to is an entire prison yard of human beings, being senselessly dragged off into a Riot.

Prison life as we all know is unbearable at best and it is beyond the imagination for anyone to deliberately make this situation worst. A tranquil, unlocked down prison is in the best interest of the prison community. While an orderly run prison may be in a feather in the Warden's Cap of which is a powerful bargaining chip, that can be negotiated into additional privileges and opportunities, for those who have found themselves in this most unfortunate predicament.