

THE NORFOLK CHRONICLES

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- LUNCH WITH PABLO ESCOBAR & EL CHAPO / TIME TO PEE-PEE

The other day here at WallyWorld I had lunch with Pablo Escobar and El Chapo Guzman; two of the biggest drug dealers known to modern man. Now I did not know I was eating with them, I don't think they knew it either, but that will take a little explaining: You see I sat down to eat my "Chic Filet" at one of the four-seat tables on Unit 8-1 (The armpit of the universe) here at NorfolkWorld, and the next thing you know the Keystone Cops, led by Zena the Warrior Princess, came rushing up to the table and told one of my dinner guests to "Put your hands up!" I shit you not. They then placed him in handcuffs, Zena the Warrior Princess giving orders to the two stooges who acted like her bitches with tarnished badges, and they whisked "Pablo" off to the hooskow. Zena, a real humanitarian crime fighter, then ordered that the rest of the guys at the table be taken up to the "Pig Sty" (or the Internal Control Building) and be strip searched and given urinalysis tests. Two true Barney Fifes, single bullet in their pockets, took me into a back room and made me get naked. Now for me I am very uncomfortable getting naked around another man (possibly my Gloucester upbringing) but these two Keystone Cops seemed quite excited about the chance to peek at another man in the buff. Of course I had nothing but a few dingleberries hanging off of my buttocks, but these two future Provincetown Pecker Detectives did not care; they were all aglow with Strip Search Fever. I then had to provide a urine sample, which of course was clean, but two of the other unfortunate fellows who were dragged up there with me gave dirty urines and were sent off to the hooskow with Pablo. Now why would these men be self-medicating? Well I think it is because this shithole is such a powderkeg of hopelessness. When you can see no hope you are in pain, and you want to numb that pain, and with so many oxygen wasting guards lugging in narcotics there is a virtual pharmacy of choices to partake of. Suboxone, weed, K-2, Salvia, you name it. All available to kill the pain. Problem is that this leaves men angry and ready to kill when they are released to the streets of your city and town. If you ask Zena and the two Stooges I had lunch with Pablo Escobar and El Chapo Guzman., but if you ask me I had lunch with two random victims of the failed system. Of course we all have free will, and can choose to do right or wrong, but sometimes your choices are so limited or so undesirable that you are truly a victim of those with the duty to offer a better way. That better way is not happening here at NorfolkWorld, no way. What is happening is the creation of future murders. The Keystone Cops are making future Pablo Escobars, Zena is creating El Chapo Guzman's, and The P-Town Strip Search squad is facilitating murder. I hope to escape this madness this summer so I can tell of their failures. These people are truly sick.

More To Come...



Petition to the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

There are today more than 1,000 men and women serving lifelong prison sentences in Massachusetts that offer no hope of parole. Such sentences assume that these individuals are incapable of personal redemption and rehabilitation and of becoming productive members of society. Life sentences without the possibility of parole (LWOP) are cruelly inconsistent with the merciful and humane standards that we believe our state and nation should uphold. They add to the destruction of families, impose an unnecessary financial burden on Massachusetts taxpayers and do nothing to improve public safety. They are, as Pope Francis has noted, a death sentence, one that simply takes longer to administer than a traditional execution.

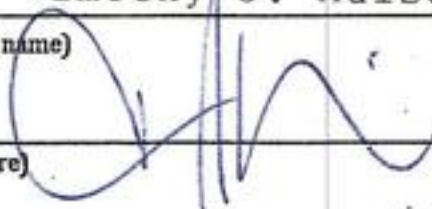
We note that:

- The use of LWOP sentences has increased exponentially since 1984. While a life sentence was initially an indeterminate term providing for eventual release, it has morphed into a sentence that ends only with death in prison.
- LWOP can be imposed in Massachusetts on individuals who have never taken a life. In the armed robbery of a store, during which an employee or customer is killed, an accomplice waiting outside in a getaway car can be subject to a felony murder/joint venture indictment resulting in an LWOP sentence.
- As a result of House Bill 4286, passed in 2012, Massachusetts now has an effective "Three Strikes Law" that makes 20 crimes eligible for a functional LWOP sentence, only two of which involve the taking of a life. Certain assaults, home invasion, confining a victim in fear, several categories of rape, two categories of kidnapping, poisoning and armed burglary all provide for a maximum sentences of life in prison; H.B. 4286 mandates that maximum sentence for repeat offenders.
- Commutation is not a realistic option. No LWOP commutations have been granted in Massachusetts since 1995. While the Parole Board has not commented, anecdotal evidence suggests that none of the 42 individuals who received first degree murder commutations between 1971 and 1995 has been returned to prison for committing another murder.
- Since 1950, roughly 24 persons have been released from MA prisons due to false murder convictions, based on records kept by the New England Innocence Project and the No Death Penalty website. Nationally, studies suggest that at least 3% to 5% of all prisoners have been wrongfully convicted. In MA, this might mean roughly 40 individuals of the 1,036 serving LWOP would be candidates for exoneration.

A life sentence holding out the possibility of parole would motivate individuals to commit themselves to meaningful rehabilitation and would recognize that healing can take place in all people. Lengthy sentences could become an avenue for rehabilitation rather than solely a means of retribution. Further, a sentence with the possibility of parole would permit a reduction in the cost of housing prisoners who, because of their increasing age and infirmity, would likely pose no threat to public safety once released. The cost of housing each prisoner is some \$55,000 annually; for the elderly that can rise to nearly \$140,000.

WE THEREFORE CALL UPON THE MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL COURT TO REPLACE ALL CURRENT LAWS IMPOSING LIFELONG PRISON SENTENCES OFFERING NO POSSIBILITY OF PAROLE WITH LEGISLATION PROVIDING FOR PAROLE REVIEWS AT 25 YEARS.

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