

DEAR READER,

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HEY, I HOPE YOU ARE WELL.

I'M A LITTLE UNDER THE WEATHER TONIGHT SO I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND ME MAKING THIS BLOG SHORT.

DINNER HAVN'T QUITE AGREED WITH MY STOMACH AND HAS LEFT ME FEELING NAUSEOUS. IT WASN'T 30 MINUTES AFTER I ATE AND I WAS HUGGING THE STEEL TOILET. IT'S GOING TO BE A ROUGH NIGHT... IN THE LAST 9 YEARS, THAT I'VE BEEN ON DEATH ROW, I'VE GOTTEN VERY SICK ABOUT...
...Hmmm... SOMEWHERE NORTH OF 100 TEMPERATURES THAT AREN'T WASHED AND SANITIZED THOROUGHLY OR FOOD THAT'S GONE BAD BUT STILL COOKED & SERVED... YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS NONE. ANYWAY, WHERE WAS I...?

HOME AFTER MY FIRST YEAR IN PRISON. THE LAW HAS BEEN PUT DOWN BY MY STATE AND I HAD 30 DAYS TO GET A JOB. SO I GO OUT IN SEARCH OF JUST THAT. I'M TAKING THE BUS ALL OVER MY COOK. I'M FILLING OUT APPLICATIONS AND GOING BACKS TO CHECK IN. I HES UP AROUND 50-70 BUSINESSES THROUGHOUT THE NEXT MONTH AND NO ONE BOSS. SO OUT ON THE STREETS I FOUND MYSELF.

NOW FROM HERE, UNFORTUNATELY, MY MEMORY IS BLURRED. I CAN ONLY GIVE YOU SPORES OF EVENTS THAT TOOK PLACE IN MY LIFE OVER THE NEXT FEW YEARS. I RECEIVED A CRITICAL HEAD INJURY IN 2003 AND THE FEW YEARS AROUND THAT

EVENTS ARE A BLUR. SO I WILL NOT BE ABLE TO GIVE YOU AN ACCURATE TIMELINE. INSTEAD I CAN SAY THE FOLLOWING EVENTS TOOK PLACE BETWEEN 1998-2004. I'LL BEGIN TELLING YOU THOSE EVENTS IN MY NEXT BLOG.

THE HEAD INJURY I RECEIVED LEFT ME WITH A SKULL FRACTURE IN THE BACKS OF MY HEAD, AN INJURY TO THE FRONT LEFT OF MY FOREHEAD, AND EVERY ONE OF MY TEETH CAVED IN ON THE LEFT SIDE OF MY JAW. I REMEMBER NOTHING OF IT EXCEPT WAKING UP WHILE I WAS BEING PLACED ON THE STRETCHER FOR A BRIEF MOMENT.

THE WITNESS WHO CALLED THE POLICE SAID SHE SAW ME WALKING THROUGH HER YARD WHEN A ROCK CAME FLYING FROM BESIDE HER HOUSE STRIKING ME ON THE BACKS OF THE HEAD. LATER ON IN THE INVESTIGATION I LEARNED IT WAS A 9 POUND GREEN ROCK. I WENT DOWN, OUT LIKE A LIGHT. A FEW PEOPLE RAN TO ME AND STARTED GOING THROUGH MY POCKETS. I CAME TO AND BEGAN TO GET UP WHEN ONE OF THEM SMASHED A BRICK ON MY FOREHEAD. AND, ACCORDING TO THE WITNESS, SMASHED IT ON MY HEAD AND FACE 14 OR 15 TIMES.

I AWOKE IN THE HOSPITAL AT A LATER DATE AND MY GIRLFRIEND AT THE TIME WAS SLEEPING IN A CHAIR NEXT TO MY BED. SHE

AND SHE TOLD ME WHAT WAS GOING ON, AND THAT THE POLICE WERE THERE AND WANTED TO TALK TO ME... YIKES! NOOOO THANKS YOU, IT'S BAD ENOUGH I'M MESSED UP AND CAN'T REMEMBER ANYTHING BUT I CAN'T REMEMBER IF "I" COMMITTED A CRIME! SO SHE HELPED ME GET OUT OF THERE.

I JUST REMEMBERED SOMETHING, I WAS LIVING WITH MY MOM, SISTER AND BROTHER AT THE SAME TIME THAT HAPPENED. I WAS WALKING HOME FROM A JOB INTERVIEW WHEN I WAS JUMPED AND ROBBED. I WAS RECOVERING AT HOME WITH MY FAMILY AND THAT WAS AFTER MY 2ND BED IN PRISON. AS A MATTER OF FACTS, I GOT INTO AN ARGUMENT WITH MY SISTER ABOUT THE 30 DAY MARK. SHE WAS STILL IMPOSING IT EVEN THOUGH I HAD SEVERAL STAPLES IN THE BACK OF MY HEAD AND A STEEL BAR IN MY JAW. AND I MOVED OUT AND INTO A FRIENDS, AND THAT'S WHEN I BEGAN SELLING DRUGS.

- WRITING IS APPARENTLY PRETTY GOOD THERAPY. IF YOU HAVE TROUBLE REMEMBERING AN EVENT IN YOUR LIFE AND YOU WANT TO REMEMBER IT BETTER, WRITE IT DOWN. IT MIGHT SURPRISE YOU. 😊

UNTIL NEXT TIME.

YOURS TRULY,

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