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Greetings,
A.P.W. A Contributors and audiences
abroad. Once again it is an honor and a privilege to
be able to share with you some of my thoughts as
well as first hand experiences of major issues and
areas of concern we face in the American Criminal
Justice System.

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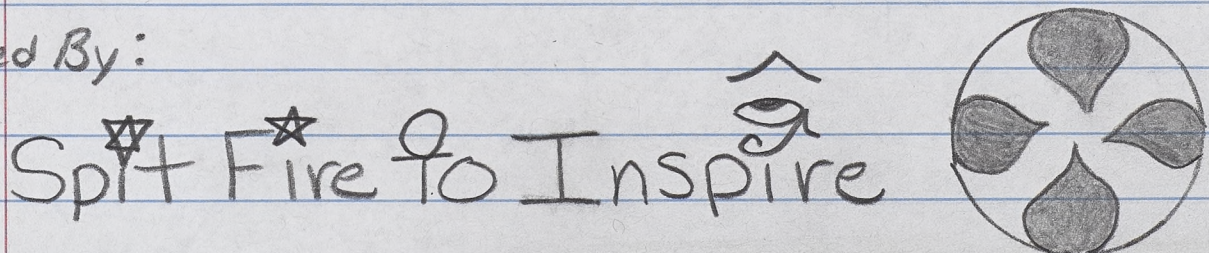
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Just in Gov. Gavin Newsom Signed Assembly Bill 45, by Assembly member Mark Stone, D-Scotts Valley. The enactment of this law is a reversal of California Penal Code Section 4011.2 which went into effect January 1, 1995. That law gave the Sheriffs and the Chiefs of Police permission to charge inmates a fee when they request a health care visit. For more info see Assembly Bill 45 by Mark Stone, D-Scotts Valley Enacted by Gov. Gavin Newsom State of - California. Also see Cal Matters, San Quentin News, The Bay Area News Group - The East Bay Times. Bay Area News Group . Com , East Bay Times . Com , CalMatters . com Article: A \$5 co-pay for dental work meant a week's work by Juan Haines Senior Editor of the San Quentin News . California

As for me and how this enactment directly effected my situation here at the Santa Rita Facility let me take my time and elaborate so I can paint a crystal clear picture with hopes of spitting some fire to Inspire. Here's the story - Now I'd never thought in a million and one years that I would see the day that I would need corrective lenses.

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


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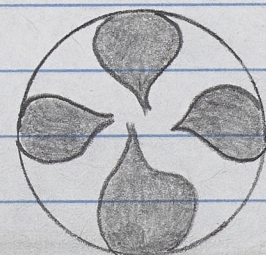
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The older I got, my vision slowly began to fade away with the time. As they say time flies well my 20/20 vision flew right along with it. Mind you this was also a time in my life when I actually needed my vision now more than ever because for as long as I can remember I'd been blinded intellectually. Now as you know the true seat of the heart is within the intellect. As I slowly began to emerge from this grave so to speak through the process of mental resurrection and began to rise up from the ash and fire like the phoenix and soar to new heights I suddenly realized that in order to gain something, I had to give something in return.

Sight for Sight. Intellectual Sight for Physical Sight. The opening of my 3^d eye at the expense of my other two, and the way that I'd pictured the world and all of its beauty. Hard but Fair, Life's Funny like that sometimes but you know what? I wouldn't trade it back for nothing in the world. So seeing this I knew I needed eye care. Now as you know and for those of you who don't know well money it does grow on trees because it is paper and paper is made from trees. Our precious trees that

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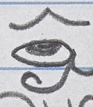
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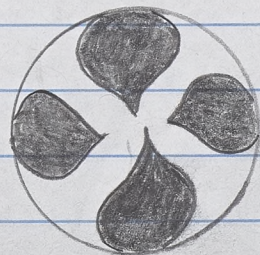
We destroy by deforestation all over the world. They also say that money is the rule of all evil. But it's not, there we go again placing our blame on everything and everyone else but its rightful owner, ourselves. The rule of all evil is our greed and our lust to name a few of the 7 Deadly Sins. And we use money as a way to hide or conceal these ugly traits or portraits of ourselves.

Me being incarcerated doesn't help much either nor does the housing / homeless crisis that the Bay Area community is experiencing helping either. This makes it harder to even attempt to fix your mouth to ask someone for any money if you are an unselfish individual who doesn't lack wisdom, knowledge and understanding of other people and their situations as well. When I began to think like this, that's when I knew I became a man. And as I am sitting here writing this I have suddenly realized that this type of behavior just grew and developed on me.

Afraid to go to see the optometrist here at the clinic at Santa Rita because of medical Billing I continued to put off this much needed visit for as

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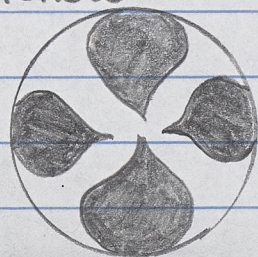
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long as I could. I continued to squint, hurting my sight even more until finally I couldn't take it any more and I said enough was enough and I made an appointment to see the optometrist here at Santa Rita. The day I went there I saw a beautiful woman very nice and warming. She took her time and catered to my needs. Might I add she did a wonderful job. If you ever see this lady be a gentleman and take her out for me please!

After this I was always in the back of my mind still wondering when would this money ever be taken off of my books. So I dreaded the day that I would finally get some funds sent to my books. I even promptly got a bill for \$22.68 during a sick-call. And you know what it came before my hardware even arrived aint that something. Ummm. Now I know \$22.68 may not sound like a lot of money but when you are in Jail and the entire community around you is sharing the same struggle one filled with housing / homelessness then all in all that's a lot. Then finally I enjoyed a sigh of relief when I learned of this news. I was kicked back in my cell thinking like Pinky and the brain of ways to take over the world and I stumbled across an article from a fellow Inmate who just so happens to be the

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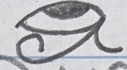
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Senior Editor of the San Quentin Newspaper. And I learned of this vital information and I'm very grateful Thanks to Gov. Gavin Newsom, MARK Stone, D-Scotts Valley for putting this play into motion. And a special thanks to everyone at the Bay Area News Group - East Bay Times, CA Matters and last but not least The San Quentin News...

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