
Subject: WTF ... Prison is supposed to be PUNISHMENT

Posted by [Blazer](#) on Fri, 08 Oct 2004 16:43:49 GMT

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<http://money.cnn.com/2004/10/08/news/newsmakers/marthareport/index.htm?cnn=yes>

Martha Stewart reported to prison in West Virginia early Friday morning to begin serving a five-month sentence for lying about a stock trade....the Federal Bureau of Prisons assigned Stewart to the minimum-security women's prison in Alderson, W. Va., known as "Camp Cupcake." ... It has no perimeter fence, and inmates can spend their free time playing volleyball and tennis or even doing aerobics.

Sentences like this are bullshit. The whole point of prison is that it is a punishment and is supposed to deter you from committing a crime again. Do you think that any of us would really be concerned about going to prison if it was a vacation resort like above? They might as well have just slapped her hand and told her to go to her room. Oh wait, they did that too "Stewart, 63, was sentenced in July to five months in jail and five months of home detention after being convicted in March for lying to investigators about her sale of ImClone Systems Inc. stock in late 2001, right before the stock tumbled."

I'm not sure what is worse, bullshit sentences like this, or the fact that you can go out right now, and shoot your neighbor in the head, get convicted of murder, and I guranteee you will be released from prison within 3-5 years.

Or, an even bigger joke...the fact that you could murder a dozen people, and get the death penalty, and its pretty much a given that 10 years from now you will still be alive, relaxing on death row while you waste the taxpayers money with meaningless appeals.

To sum up my rant, my point is that these punishments are a joke and do not deter crime, especially by "rich people". If I am a celebrity, high ranking govt official, millionaire, etc. Do you think I would be concerned at all about breaking the law (assuming I had no morals)? Hell no. Because I know that:

1. I can hire an expensive lawyer and probably totally get off *cough* OJ *cough*
2. Even if found guilty, I most probably will get a very light sentence and get sent to a minimum security resort.
3. Even if I commit a most terrible crime that warrants the death penalty, I can take advantage of legal loopholes and appeal until I literally die of old age.

:rolleyes:

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Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Fri, 08 Oct 2004 16:55:08 GMT

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Life may be unfair, but the JUSTICE system isn't just at all. If you have money and/or power, you

can get off with little or no punishment.

You didn't even compare Martha Stewart to the Enron fiasco. The executives aren't even in trouble and they stole MILLIONS versus Martha's \$30,000 and she's at least being "punished". Higher up on the chain, easier life gets for you.

We always hear, "money isn't everything", but in today's world, it is. Money determines how you are treated...not just how you live or how well you live. It's bullshit, but this world is unbelievably materialistic. I don't mind being at the social status that I am, I actually enjoy it, but it makes me wonder what it'll be like in 20-30 years when I'm middle-aged.

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Posted by [liberator](#) on Fri, 08 Oct 2004 18:02:50 GMT

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The thing of it is, she didn't actually do anything worthy of any punishment.

Last thing I heard, making money, even gigantic amounts of it from a stock sale wasn't illegal.

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Posted by [warranto](#) on Fri, 08 Oct 2004 18:58:21 GMT

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To quote the Mikado of Japan... "Let the punishment fit the crime"

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Posted by [Crimson](#) on Fri, 08 Oct 2004 19:26:55 GMT

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Need we forget Chappaquiddick?

<http://www.ytedk.com/>

He's blatantly responsible for a girl's death and yet he still sits in the Senate.

Subject: Re: WTF ... Prison is supposed to be PUNISHMENT

Posted by [rm5248](#) on Fri, 08 Oct 2004 19:49:41 GMT

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BlazerOr, an even bigger joke...the fact that you could murder a dozen people, and get the death penalty, and it's pretty much a given that 10 years from now you will still be alive, relaxing on death row while you waste the taxpayers money with meaningless appeals.

I have this excellent quote about that...

Quote:Why do they serilize the needle for lethal injections?

Seriously, why the hell do they spend (I think) a few hundred, maybe even a few thousand dollars to execute somebody... Bullets are a lot cheaper...

You also automatically get an appeal before you are executed.

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Posted by [SuperFlyingEngi](#) on Fri, 08 Oct 2004 20:26:00 GMT
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CrimsonNeed we forget Chappaquiddick?

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He's blatantly responsible for a girl's death and yet he still sits in the Senate.

He was involved in a car accident. It's not the same thing as murder.

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Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Fri, 08 Oct 2004 20:40:48 GMT
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Still manslaughter...

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Posted by [Crimson](#) on Fri, 08 Oct 2004 21:54:51 GMT
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He was driving drunk. Furthermore, she was alive in the car for probably about 2 hours while he could have been calling for a rescue, instead of had one of his friends try and save her, then went to his hotel instead and went to bed.

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Posted by [Blazer](#) on Sat, 09 Oct 2004 00:09:45 GMT
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liberatorThe thing of it is, she didn't actually do anything worthy of any punishment.

Last thing I heard, making money, even gigantic amounts of it from a stock sale wasn't illegal.

Because she used inside information to make that decision, which is illegal. Try actually knowing the details of an issue before you make a point about it. Yes, some have gotten away with worse (Enron folks), but what she did was publically exposed, and illegal so she is being punished under the law. My point was that prison sentences are a joke, and had nothing to do with whether her crime justified her going to prison or not.

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Posted by [cowmisfit](#) on Sat, 09 Oct 2004 02:09:26 GMT

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The prisinors i work with have TV's , radios, cards and stuff :-/ there "good prisinors though that are on work release, the one even drives his car to work from jail lol.

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Posted by [Majiin Vegeta](#) on Sat, 09 Oct 2004 04:01:09 GMT

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from some of the things i have heard about prisions
im kinda thinking they have it better than me...

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Posted by [Vitaminous](#) on Sat, 09 Oct 2004 04:32:37 GMT

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cowmisfitThe prisinors i work with have TV's , radios, cards and stuff :-/ there "good prisinors though that are on work release, the one even drives his car to work from jail lol.

Your work with prisoners? Have you met their good ol' friend sodom yet?

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Posted by [cowmisfit](#) on Sat, 09 Oct 2004 12:37:39 GMT

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AprimecowmisfitThe prisinors i work with have TV's , radios, cards and stuff :-/ there "good prisinors though that are on work release, the one even drives his car to work from jail lol.

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lol, there not murders, there drug dealers and shit that got caught and are on work release because there "good" prisinors I've heard alllllll the storys of jail lol. Im not ever gonna go there, at

my size and weight i'd be some freakishly large black man named tinys bitch in no time.

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Posted by [Doitle](#) on Sat, 09 Oct 2004 19:07:21 GMT

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CrimsonHe shot her in the face!

SuperFlyingEngi

He was involved in a gun accident. It's not the same thing as murder.

Subject: WTF ... Prison is supposed to be PUNISHMENT

Posted by [Blazer](#) on Sun, 17 Oct 2004 02:06:26 GMT

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http://money.cnn.com/2004/10/15/news/midcaps/martha_openletter/index.htm?cnn=yes

"Stewart, like all federal prisoners, is allowed to spend a maximum of \$290 a month at the prison commissary. It's basically a mini-mart that sells snacks, stamps, and some toiletries.

All inmate money is kept in separate "commissary accounts," according to Novak. Stewart will be allowed to take any leftover funds with her when she is released in March."

She still gets to go "shopping" and have a "bank account"...in prison. Rediculous.

""I have adjusted and am very busy," wrote Stewart in a posting on <http://www.marthataalks.com>. 'The camp is like an old-fashioned college campus...'"

Yeah she's really learning her lesson...Some R&R at camp cupcake, shopping for lipstick and snacks, and posting to her blog, and then when she gets out she will write a book about it and make \$5 million. Do we really think experiences like this, or the "threat" of them are a deterrent to crime?

I predict soon there will be a reality prison show, that shows 5 people in prison and the "toils" of their daily lives. It will probably be something similar to the "Growing up Gotti" show on A&E :rolleyes:

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<http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,136084,00.html>

wtfThe guru of good living spent some time last week picking crab apples (search) from trees that dot the grounds of her federal lockup in West Virginia — and used them to make a tasty dish.

"The normal person would get punished for that, but the prison guards managed not to see her,"

Fuck Martha Stewart. I gurantee if you or I committed a crime, we would out picking too, except we would be picking bubbas pubes out of our cornholes. :twisted:
