

Dear Robbie,

See?

Please forgive my delay of a return in correspondence, as the Christmas rush to finish all those santa envelopes and accompanying letters was way more time consuming than originally thought!

However, sitting in front of the T.V. & doing these while watching Christmas specials was the highlight of my Holiday season! Do you remember this from the old Miller & Rhoades ads?

I'm glad you enjoyed the last envelop & will continue to send you things as time goes by, and will include what I hope will be a sufficient release for you! It would certainly be very pleasing to feel I have anything to contribute to the encouragement of others.

The circumstances of difficulty I was speaking of, are that "officially" we are to do no exercise in the building period, not even a push up. Although we have a (I guess)

Muslim in the building who prays in a very small area on a "prayer rug" which is about the size of the floor mat in a car?

And I have been waiting till lights out & doing my prostra in the same corner, very carefully, with help (a lookout) & am aware that once a guard walks by & realizes I'm sweating & obviously exercising. I'm sure there will be a problem? My way of thinking so far has been, not to get caught & have that conversation? So I have been getting by; but have no mat & the tile floor is for one gross & once sweaty shippo & it's hard on my toes especially among other things (etc). Which I feel is compromising to my practice?

So...

I have been filling out a request form, asking permission to have a mat, that I was not going to discuss where would be used? Because, I had listened when you spoken in class about people in other lands or further back in time practicing outside with no mat. I had a very good summer outside practicing in the grass, the cool thing is if it gets wet you just move! (but it would've been better with a mat there too!) I've been getting the run around, like I get the form back & it says its not an approved item so, I send one in asking to get one approved & I get it back saying its not an item on the property list? (like I said the run around) its not like dealing with father Preet. But if I could get them to first let me have it, later I could worry about where it gets used. I have to get one for it to matter?

I wonder if they can have a proper rug... what's the big deal? I even tried using one, (not possible for reasons I will not begin to try and illustrate here) I wish there was a way to show them one? & explain to them what's up. But I just an allowed the form, not a actual person? its very screwy the process we must go through to order a book, we have to fill out a request form & get permission for the book in question? It seems as though possibly they want to protect us from learning?

I am not trying to sound like a skeptic, its just that some of these things seem excessive?

And I would love for you to visit, anytime.
I am always here & you are allowed. the only problem

would be if you were a felon, which I don't think you are! My visitation days are every ~~second~~ weekend on the even dated day, for instance if Saturday is the 11th and Sunday the 12th my day that weekend would be the 12th. It would be great to see you.

We are allowed person to person ~~only~~ visits (we don't have to talk on a phone through glass or anything) & they have sewing machines & its very laid back.

If you have any additional questions I know it sounds funny but my mother knows everything about this place almost!

Manda Williams, 389-3896 but she's talkative, so I warned you. go figs. (Hush)

And... I will keep practicing know matter what! I dated a girl one time & we used to go out alot, she had this expression "dance through life a though know ones watching" And this is sometimes a scary place, I hate to admit it but it is. And I just practice! I don't care what goes on around me. And if I see it all believe me. finishing these envelopes I lost a couple of days and it was hard getting back started and I felt like crap! It really is something you've got to do everyday!

One thing I've learned is with ear plugs or you can focus or mindful breathing & chills easier? It gives you isolation and you can hear yourself breathing? Sorry if the letter is a bit of a ramble as I was saying the late night envelope thing has taken it toll? Merry Christmas!

Began the Magnificent!