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Around the state: violence surges at KCF; more than a dozen ECF inmates sent to seg; MCF unit locked down after stabbings

Officers say there has been an average of three stabbings a day for more than a week at Kinross, a Level II. The fighting is gang related, MCO is told. As of this morning, there were only two open cells in segregation and segregation overflow.

On May 22, three inmates were seriously hurt in a huge fight. One person was struck with a lock on a belt, one prisoner's face was slashed, and one inmate was stabbed in the back of the head, back and shoulders. Three assailants were identified. It happened in front of E-unit.

The next day, a prisoner struck another inmate with a padlock.

Three inmates were sent to hospitals after another fight over Memorial Day weekend. One inmate's ear was nearly sliced off, while another convict was hit in the head with a lock on a

belt. A third inmate suffered a puncture wound in his lung.

Also over the weekend, a visitor was caught passing an unknown substance. The substance was in balloons concealed in a candy bar wrapper.

There was also a stabbing in B-unit May 27. The inmate was sent to a hospital.

At the Oaks, about 14 inmates went to segregation and a unit was locked down for two days last week after a massive fight.

The clash started in the Level IV commons area on the way back from chow. About 15 Taser cartridges were used to break it up. Two warning shots were fired. Members of several gangs were involved, officers say.

One inmate needed about 10 stitches near his eye. No other serious

injuries were reported. No staff members were injured.

Eleven inmates at MCF went to segregation this week due to recent stabbings in unit 2.

One inmate was stabbed Tuesday in Unit 2. Another prisoner was stabbed in the same unit the next day.

On Thursday, the unit was shaken down during a siren drill. Some contraband was found. The unit reopened only to be locked down again after two convicts were stabbed. Unit 2 was shaken down again today, and it was still on lock down as of this morning.

"A stockpile of especially nasty shanks" was discovered in hollowed-out wall behind an inmate's corkboard in H-unit, an ARF officer said. They were found May 22.



Mark your calendar: Crisis Fund Golf Outing is Friday, Aug. 15

Join us for the 18th annual Crisis Fund Golf Outing Aug. 15 at Ledge Meadows in Grand Ledge.

The Golf Outing is the one and only golf event MCO hosts each year, and it's the Crisis Fund's biggest fundraiser. The Crisis Fund donates money

to members facing a catastrophic situation.

To get a registration flyer, look up the event in the calendar at mco-seiu. org or call MCO at (800)451-4878.

CHANGE IN FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR CHAD CHARLES

Funeral arrangements for Chad Charles, the ERT member who passed away suddenly last week, have changed.

Visitation is now scheduled for 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. June 4 at the Pine River Area High School, 17445 Pine River

Rd., Le Roy, MI, 49655. A funeral service will follow at the same location.

In lieu of flowers, cash donations may be made to the family to help cover funeral costs. Mail donations to Larry Charles, 609 Maple St., Luther, MI 49656.

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