



AROUND THE STATE: CO WITNESSES DRUG DROP AT COTTON; FIRE AT THE OAKS; STASH OF WEAPONS FOUND AT WEST SHORELINE

Thanks to a CO's quick action, a Detroit man faces three felony charges after allegedly throwing a football stuffed with drugs and cell phones over a fence at JCF.

Officer Dan Keiser (the JCF MCO chapter's second vice president) was sitting in his car during his break Sunday morning when he saw a car pull into the employee lot. A man jumped out of the passenger seat and threw a football over the exterior fence, but it fell short of the interior fence and landed in the perimeter road. Keiser yelled at the car to stop. The car occupants, including the man who threw the ball, were detained.

The football contained cell phones, chargers, tobacco, marijuana and a white substance believed to be heroin.

Christen Deon-Sterling Moore was arrested and charged with two counts of furnishing contraband to a prisoner and one count of furnishing a cell phone to a prisoner, according to media reports.

It's sheer luck Keiser was on his lunch break and saw this drug drop occur. Even so, a Department spokesman defended random patrols in comments made to the Free Press this week. Find the article and other MDOC news at mco-seiu.org.

Officer Keiser deserves a pat on the back!

No one was injured in a fire at the Oaks warehouse Tuesday.

The warehouse fire alarm sounded at about 5 p.m., when no inmates or staff were in the building. The struc-

ture sustained smoke and water damage. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

Pugsley inmates work in the warehouse. They have been on site this week for cleanup, an officer said.

Violence continues to agitate at Pugsley.

On Thursday, an inmate was badly beaten in Unit 2. He was taken to a hospital. An officer said the inmate told investigators the attack was extortion to get commissary money.

Another MPF prisoner was stabbed more than 20 times June 9.

Pugsley is a Level 1.

A West Shoreline inmate was brutally assaulted June 12.

He suffered three stab wounds and several slashes. The man was taken to a local hospital, and was later transported to a larger hospital with a secure wing. The prisoner returned to MTF Thursday.

In an unrelated search for cell phones the same day, seven metal weapons were found.

"We usually don't find that many in two months," an officer said.

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An SLF officer wasn't injured when an inmate tried to slice him in the chow hall June 6.

The afternoon shift food service officer noticed an inmate had something in his waistband. When the CO stopped the prisoner for a shakedown, he pulled out a shank and tried to

strike the officer in the shoulder. Staff took him to the ground.

The inmate is in segregation.

STF Officer Jeffrey Fowler found more than 10 gallons of spud juice in a shakedown June 10.

"He is called the 'Fox' because he has a nose for spud," a fellow STF officer said.

Good work, Officer Fowler and all the Central Michigan officers who sniff out spud.

ST. LOUIS MEMBERS APPROVE 12-HOUR SHIFTS

SLF members passed 12-hour shifts Thursday by a vote of 107 to 87.

St. Louis is the first facility to hold a 12-hour shift vote since the Executive Board allowed voting on the issue to resume. All 12-hour shift voting was paused during bargaining during the fall and winter months.

Pugsley, Newberry and Muskegon have 12-hour shifts.

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