



AROUND THE STATE: ARAMARK WORKERS AT THREE FACILITIES STOP ORDERED; ARF AND SRF EVENTS

The most shocking and serious Aramark allegation yet came to light this week.

An Aramark worker at Kinross has been stop ordered on accusations he attempted to hire an inmate to kill another inmate at a different prison, according to media reports. Michigan State Police confirmed they investigated the former Aramark worker and submitted a warrant request. Further details weren't revealed.

An Aramark worker at ICF was escorted off prison property Wednesday after love letters between her and an inmate were discovered in the prisoner's property.

The letters described contraband the Aramark employee allegedly brought inside and her plans to bring in more. Several other inmates were found in possession of love letters that custody staff believes were written to Aramark workers.

At MTU, an Aramark worker was stop ordered this week for allegedly attempting to pay an inmate to assault another prisoner.

Recent events at ARF:

9/23 – Four prisoners found with marijuana.

9/22 – Prisoner in possession of lock on belt.

9/21 – Fight in South Front yard with two prisoners. Another prisoner found with \$100 bill. Another inmate was found with marijuana.

9/19 – Total of four fights this day involving 10 prisoners.

9/17 – Six-inmate fight on the North Back yard.

9/14 – 5.25-in. piece of sharpened aluminum found.

9/13 – Two prisoners found with marijuana.

An ARF member tells MCO the fights were drug related. Segregation has been full, and several inmates have been released back to their units on "top lock pending hearing" status. Two inmates involved in a fight Sept. 17 were assigned this status and involved in fights only two days later.

No staff were hurt in these altercations.

Recent events at SRF:

9/22 – Inmate sent to segregation for possession of a weapon.

9/21 – Food thermometer reported missing.

9/20 – Inmate found in possession of marijuana.

9/19 – ECD deployed in two-man fight in the school. Later, there was a two-man fight while returning from dinner chow.

9/18 – Unknown assailant cut a prisoner with a razor attached to a toothbrush handle.



IN MEMORIAM: BERNAL, ZAROFF AND DOBBINS

Two MCO members and one retiree recently passed away.

Alejandro Bernal, 36, died Wednesday. Bernal worked at Muskegon and had been an officer since 2005.

Visitation for Officer Bernal is today from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at King Funeral Home, 2370 N. 72nd Ave., Hart, MI 49420. A funeral will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 27 at St. Gregory Church, 316 S. Peach Ave., Hart, MI 49420.

Ted Zaroff, 58, passed away Sept. 18. Zaroff had been an officer since 1997 and worked at Woodland at the time of his death. His funeral was held earlier this week.

Jenell Dobbins, 60, died Wednesday. She retired from Women's Huron Valley in 2009.

A viewing will be Tuesday, Sept. 30 after 2 p.m. at Cantrell Funeral Home, 10400 Mack Ave., Detroit, MI 48214. Dobbins' funeral will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1, at Bethel Baptist Church East, 5715 Holcomb St., Detroit, MI 48213.

Please join MCO in hoping for solace for their families and friends.