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Crisis Fund news: Gun raffle Oct. 21; KCF brings in nearly \$100

See your chapter leaders now to get Crisis Fund gun raffle tickets before they're gone!

Here are the great prizes up for grabs this year:

1st: Deer Hunt at Hopkins Trophy Whitetails (\$2,300 value)

2nd: Darton Terminator Crossbow w/Hunter Package (\$750)

3rd: Thompson Center Venture 7mm Mag w/3x12x50 mm Weaver scope (\$545)

4th: Ruger American 30-60 (\$340)

5th: Ruger American 270 (\$340)

6th: CVA Optima Muzzleloader

50 cal pkg. including scope and case (\$350)

7th: Remington 870 Express 12 gauge rifled barrel (\$360)

8th: Remington 870 Express (\$320)

9th: Savage Sun City 12 gauge (\$200)

Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10. The raffle is Oct. 21 at the MCO Central Conference. Need not be present to win.

All proceeds will benefit the MCO Crisis Fund, which helps members facing catastrophe. The gun raffle is

one of the Crisis Fund's biggest fundraisers.

Thank you, Kinross staff, for raising \$96 for the MCO Crisis

Fund! Staff at KCF donated money to the fund to have a casual dress day. Thank you staff, and thank you, Warden Duncan MacLaren, for allowing the fundraiser to take place.

Is there an upcoming crisis fund event at your facility? Let us know at mail@mco-seiu.org.

MISTAKEN IDENTITY ATTACK LEADS TO UPROAR AT ECF

Oaks Correctional Facility had several stabbings and assaults last week between two rival factions in housing unit two, a Level IV, an officer said.

On Oct. 1, a prisoner set out to beat up an inmate, but he punched the wrong guy. The assailant went to seg.

On Oct. 3, a friend of the attacker was cut. The slashed inmate patched himself up without telling staff. During yard time, he swung a lock-in-asock at members of the rival group. Four people went to seg. The fighting

escalated with a 12-man fight at lunch. Two people were stabbed in the melee. The unit was temporarily locked down.

Then on Oct. 5, there was an 8-man fight while returning from breakfast chow. One prisoner was stabbed.

Unit 2 has been on lock down since Monday, the officer said. Ten people were transferred to other facilities today.

Watch your back and your partner's back. Stay safe.



FALL MCO REPORT ONLINE

The Fall MCO

Report is available at mco-seiu.org/publications/mco-report.

This edition has important information about the Nov. 4 elections. Read about what's at stake and who MCO has endorsed. You'll also find stories about new research on the stress of corrections careers; the union's partnership with a Michigan youth home; and updates on all the ongoing challenges and lawsuits MCO is fighting for members.

Look for your copy in the mail in late October.

NOTICE OF MCO MEMBERSHIP DUES INCREASE

Effective Nov. 6 payroll, MCO member dues will increase 44 cents per pay period, equating to an \$11.44 increase per year.

This will be the first dues increase in several years. Recognizing MCO members have taken several "hits" over the last few years and received low wage increases, the MCO Central Committee froze dues three years ago. The bylaws

call for an automatic increase equivalent to the percentage wage increase received. Bargaining unit members received a 2 percent wage increase Oct. 1 (i.e. top E-9 employees will receive an annual increase of \$1,023.88 plus a lump sum payment of \$261).

There will be no dues increase attached to the lump sum payment members will receive.