



ERT COMBS THROUGH DAVISON TWP. TO FIND BOY WITH AUTISM

MDOC Emergency Response Team members are among the law enforcement officers searching for a boy with autism who went missing on the Fourth of July.

Omarion "Mars" Humphrey was last seen at Lake Callis Recreation Complex splash pad. The park is in Davison Township, about 12 miles west of Lapeer.

Sixty-nine ERT members were deployed for a massive search today,

MDOC Spokesman Chris Gautz said.

MDOC ERT assistance was requested in the early morning hours of July 5. About a dozen members were out at all times during the next 48 hours, Gautz said. ERT members have led civilian volunteers on grid searches to look for signs of the boy.

ERT members from districts 1, 2, and 3 are participating. Local police have been very appreciative of the help and professionalism of MDOC

staff, Gautz added.

Mars, 9, is African-American, about 4 feet tall, and weighs 70 pounds. He was last seen wearing black shorts with a red stripe, with no shirt or shoes. He has autism and does not speak, but responds to the name Mars.

Anyone who sees Mars should call 911. To submit a tip to Crime Stoppers, call 1-800-SPEAKUP or go to 1800speakup.org.

AROUND THE STATE: STAFF ASSAULTED AT MPF; MAGGOTS FOUND AGAIN

Two COs and a prison counselor assaulted June 30 at Pugsley are OK.

All three were taken to a hospital by state vehicle. They were treated and released. One CO just finished OJT.

The prisoner who assaulted them was upset his TV was taken, an officer tells us. The TV was confiscated because staff suspected it was stolen. It was taken for inspection by the property officer.

The prisoner was transferred to the Oaks.

Maggots were discovered in a meat slicer at Alger last week.

The facility's one kitchen was shut down Wednesday for cleaning with bleach. That night's Ramadan meal was turkey sandwiches, but they had to be thrown away. The slicer was removed from the kitchen.

Officers said they don't know if maggots were on the turkey be-

ing prepared or if they entered the kitchen some other way.

Also at LMF, an Aramark worker was escorted out of the facility for allegedly bringing tobacco into the prison. The employee was the second Aramark worker fired this week at Alger.

There was a flurry of fights at Newberry over the Fourth of July weekend, officers tell MCO.

At about 8 p.m. Thursday, an inmate was assaulted near the picnic table on the big yard. The assailant is unknown. About 15 minutes later, a two-prisoner fight broke out in the same location. One person was taken to a hospital for treatment. He returned to the prison.

On Saturday, approximately 75 inmates gathered on the yard for a brief rap-off. Extra officers were called to the yard. The prisoners finished and dispersed.

The next day, an inmate slashed another inmate on the cheek. A

prison-made weapon with a razor blade was recovered Monday. The assailant was transferred to another facility.

Then on Monday, two inmate food service workers got into a fight behind the serving line at dinner.

There was another two-inmate fight Tuesday.

Chippewa officers had to use Tasers to quell a nine-inmate fight last week.

It happened June 30 on the west small yard. No staff members or inmates were seriously injured, officers said. The fight was possibly gang-related.

A potato peeler disappeared at Gus Harrison July 1 and was later discovered in a trash compactor.

The inmate who signed it out left work at 1:30 p.m. Staff were searching for the tool when it was found in the compactor at about 8:30 p.m.