



AROUND THE STATE: ERT MEMBERS BUSY WITH SEARCHES; STAFF ASSAULTS AT MRF, WCC, URF; MAGGOTS FOUND AT AMF

ERT District 5 members joined the MSP and Alger County Sheriff representatives to search for a man who went missing last Wednesday near Miners Falls.

They searched all night and found him early the next morning. The man was in good condition and was able to hike out.

Nice work!

The District 2 ERT, which includes the Jackson, Coldwater and Adrian areas, searched Tuesday for a missing Summit Township woman.

Twenty-six team members assisted local police in combing through four square miles of swamp and woods. Lila Dickerson was not found. Dickerson, 57, was last seen Aug. 11.

"The local police and sheriff said they were very grateful and very impressed with the local ERT members and their responsiveness and their professionalism," said MDOC Spokesperson Chris Gautz.

Two officers and a sergeant were assaulted last week at Macomb while trying to move an RTP inmate.

The prisoner pulled away from one CO and punched the other officer in the face. He also struck a sergeant who came in for backup. He was taken to the RTP A-wing, which is a segregation area.

One of the officers and the

sergeant were treated off site. The sergeant received 10 sutures.

A Woodland officer was struck and stabbed with a shank made from a pen.

The inmate, who was in the acute care unit, also threw an unknown substance in the CMO's face.

It happened Monday in pod 2 during food tray delivery. The officer was sent out of the facility for health care. He suffered a concussion and puncture wounds.

A CO and several prisoners were assaulted in altercations last week at Chippewa.

A Level II inmate punched an officer in the head, and COs believe it was in retaliation for a ticket. Another staff member sprained his knee while responding. This inmate has a history of staff assaults, officers say.

On Friday, there were two gang-related inmate fights.

There were at least four more gang fights Sunday and Monday.

Maggots were found last week squirming in meat and cheese left in the dry storage area in the Baraga kitchen.

They spread to bread, paper products, cleaning rags and mop heads.

The infested food was thrown away. Ten gallons of bleach was used to sanitize the area. Trinity workers left that evening at about 9 p.m., leav-

ing officers and inmates to clean up for about another hour, officers said.

The dry storage area is not temperature controlled, and it's intended for storing paper and Styrofoam products, not food.

Don't forget – Grey Dragons Run for the Fund Sept. 26

Join the Grey Dragons motorcycle group for a ride Sept. 26 to support the MCO Crisis Fund.

The Grey Dragons will meet at Meijer at the corner of M55 and US 31 in Manistee. They leave at 9 a.m. Riders can also meet the group at the Shell Gas Station at M37 and US 10 in Baldwin. They'll leave the station at 10 a.m.

From there, the ride will continue to Cops and Doughnuts, 521 N. McEwan St., in Clare. The group should arrive there between 11 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Another ride is planned after the gathering at Cops and Doughnuts.

Riders are asked to make a donation to the MCO Crisis Fund, which helps members facing a catastrophe.

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