



## AROUND THE STATE: LMF OFFICER ASSAULTED; SUSPECTED DRUGS FOUND AT CFP, JCF

**A probationary officer was injured when he intervened in an inmate assault at Alger March 5.**

Two level 4 inmates attacked another prisoner and slashed him. The officer stepped in and was hit. Other officers quickly responded. When the altercation broke up, a 6-in shank was found at the scene, and one of the inmates was holding a bloody pen.

The intervening officer suffered multiple orbital bone fractures and loosened teeth. He has not returned to work.

The slashed inmate needed 28 stitches.

Stay safe.

**A white powder suspected to be cocaine was mailed to a patient at the Forensic Center this week.**

At CFP, patients must open their mail in the presence of staff. During mail time Monday, a staff member noticed a bulging envelope. As the patient took a \$20 bill from the envelope, a white powder fell onto a desk, forensic security assistants (FSAs) tell MCO.

The patient ran to the bathroom with the envelope. He refused to come out, FSAs say. FSAs couldn't extract him, because staff are not allowed to touch patients without orders from a doctor. When he eventually came out of the bathroom, the powder was gone from the envelope.

The powder that fell on the desk was collected and turned over to police for testing. FSAs allege the substance tested positive for cocaine.

**A Cotton visitor delivered drugs to an inmate in a kiss, officers say.**

It happened March 5. The visitor retrieved something from her pants, put it in her mouth, and kissed an inmate. The inmate was passed a balloon full of Suboxone, officers say. He ingested it and was placed in a dry cell.

The next day, in the Level II E-unit, heroin was found inside chess pieces. A cell phone was also found inside a typewriter.

**A five-on-one inmate assault broke out in Pugsley's Unit 4, C wing bathroom March 5.**

A probationary officer was recording rounds in the level 1 unit and heard the altercation. Officers quickly responded to a call for back up. No staff were injured.

## MCO JOINS MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF POLICE ORGANIZATIONS

Michigan Corrections Organization has joined the Michigan Association of Police Organizations (MAPO) in an effort to improve health care options for members and improve benefits for those who put their lives at risk every day.

"I hope that this partnership will bring the public a greater understand-

ing and appreciation of the role corrections officers have in enforcing the law and keeping communities safe," said MCO President Tom Tylutki, who will be joining MAPO's Board of Trustees.

MAPO represents nearly 10,000 certified law enforcement officers.

To read an announcement about the partnership, visit [mco-seiu.org](http://mco-seiu.org).



## IN MEMORIAM: SMITH AND ZBICIAK ICF Officer Jeremy Smith passed away Tuesday morning.

Smith's 10-year anniversary with the MDOC would have been next week.

Please keep Smith's family and ICF staff in your thoughts and prayers.

Rest in peace, Officer Smith.

## Retired TCF Officer Martin Zbiciak passed away Sunday.

Zbiciak retired in 2013 after 24 years with the MDOC.

His funeral was today in Flint.  
Rest in peace, Officer Zbiciak.

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tion, including details on the Cadillac Tax and preparations for bargaining wages and health care, is also inside.

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