



MCO CRISIS FUND EVENTS COMING THIS SUMMER!

Due to last year's success, the UP Crisis Fund Golf Outing is back this year. There's also the traditional downstate outing every August. Here are the details on both events:

UP Crisis Fund Golf Outing

WHEN: Friday, June 17. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. Shotgun start at 9:30 a.m.

WHERE: Newberry Country Club, 5073 M-123 South, Newberry, MI 49868

COST: \$70 for 18 holes with dinner.

TO SIGN UP, SPONSOR OR GET

MORE INFO: Contact Charles Chamberlain at charleschamberlain@att.net. You can also get information on the UP Outing's Facebook page. Go to Facebook and search for Michigan Corrections Organization U.P. Crisis Fund Golf Outing.



MCO Crisis Fund Golf Outing

WHEN: Friday, Aug. 19. Registration starts at 8:15 a.m. Shotgun start at 9 a.m.

WHERE: Ledge Meadows Golf Course, 1801 Grand Ledge Highway, Grand Ledge, MI

COST: \$65 for 18 holes with lunch.

SIGN UP: Go to mco-seiu.org for a pamphlet that includes a golfer sign up form you can print and fill out. Mail the form and check to MCO Crisis Fund, 421 W. Kalamazoo, Lansing, MI 48933

TO SPONSOR OR GET MORE INFO:

The pamphlet on our website includes a sponsor sign up form. Please print it, fill it out and mail with a check to MCO. If you have questions, please call MCO at (517)485-3310.

Both outings benefit the MCO Crisis Fund, which supports members facing a catastrophe. Even if you cannot attend one of the outings, please consider sponsoring one of the events. Sponsorships start at only \$25. Help your union brothers and sisters – support the MCO Crisis Fund.

MEMBERS: WANT MORE COMMUNICATION? GIVE US YOUR HOME EMAIL

In the March 4 KYI, we put out a call asking all members for their home email address (not michigan.gov work email). If you haven't provided us with your email address, why not? This information is intended for office use only. MCO will never sell your information.

The Executive Board and staff are doing more to engage members, and providing us with your home email address is a critical part of that.

During our work to bring water to officers and their families in Flint, we realized how many home email addresses we still don't have. Other projects over the last year, including the corrections fatigue (PTSD) assessment, have been somewhat hindered by our lack of home email addresses. State email addresses may not be appropriate for some of the engagement work we'd like to do in the future.

In addition, MCO will be distributing the next bargaining survey by email. Paper copies will be available upon request. We hope this will be more convenient and increase participation.

Members have been telling MCO leaders they want more transparency and more communication. Having your home email address is a vital part of communicating with you quickly and efficiently.

Please give us your home email address now by going to mco-seiu.org and clicking "sign up for emails" on the right.

Thank you, members, for your help.

TRINITY FOOD BOYCOTTS SPREAD TO COTTON

JCF inmates are refusing to eat Trinity food.

Only about 40 Level II inmates went to lunch Tuesday for hamburgers, one of the prisoners' favorite meals. About 40 attended dinner that evening. This means roughly 720 inmates boycotted the meals that day. Those who went to chow needed to eat for medical reasons, officers say.

On Wednesday, 93 Level II prisoners ate lunch. 122 went to dinner.

Again, we're hearing inmates are frustrated with the quality and quantity of Trinity food. Prisoners expressed their concerns during a meeting with the warden

and a Trinity supervisor Tuesday morning. Officers say the inmates asked when the food quality would improve, and because they couldn't get a specific time frame, they decided to boycott the chow hall.

MDOC administration has agreed to meet with MCO leaders to discuss the boycotts. Administrators say they're aggressively working on this. Something must change. As always, MCO is concerned for the safety of staff (public and private), inmates, and communities near prisons.

MCO will continue to sound the alarm on safety and security vulnerabilities. Email us at mail@mco-seiu.org with information.